Senior Tories stunned by swift announcement after four votes deny prime minister victory

Wounded Thatcher fights second round

By ROBIN OAKLEY, POLITICAL EDITOR

She's either

support. Mr Hurd, who is with her at the Conference on

Security and Co-operation in

Europe, said: "The prime

minister continues to have my

full support. I am sorry that

Cecil Parkinson and Ken-

been confirmed as leader with-

but failed to attract the sup-

on the first round, but would

not do so if she went damaged

Mr Heseltine, having won more support than had been

Thatcher faces the danger that

By continuing with the strug-

into a second round.

prolonged in this way."

MARGARET Thatcher last night lived up to her promise to go on fighting when she announced that she would contest the second round of the Tory leadership contest, hav-ing failed by just four votes to beat Michael Heseltine in a single

Her immediate declaration on hearing that she had polled 204 votes to Mr Heseltine's 152 stunned the party. Senior ministers had urged her to pause and consult before making any announcement.

Mrs Thatcher needed a minimum of 187 votes plus a margin of 56 over Mr Heseltine to prevent the con-test going to a second round. Although she was technically close to achieving that, the result must badly damage her. She was denied the support of more than 100 MPs on top of those who had not backed her against the stalking horse Sir Anthony Meyer last year. Sixteen MPs abstained.

Standing on the steps of the British embassy in Paris, Mrs Thatcher declared: "I confirm my intention to let my name go forward for the second ballot." She has thus pre-empted her cabinet colleagues who would have expected her to step down in such circumstances. She has left their supporters shocked and the party stunned. Mrs Thatcher even surprised some of her campaign team who expected her toskeep on any decision.

Arms treaty suspicions

American acms experts have cancelled a trip to Moscow

tanks and artillery. The cancellation comes only a day after the signing of Labour party. Mrs Thatcher one thing the motion of no the Conventional Arms in has survived the first round, confidence the sovernment Europe treaty......Page 24

Whingeing on

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Sir Peter Hall, 60 tomorrow, promises that he will continue "whingeing complaining and carrying on" about government subsidies for the

Sentence attack

A magistrate was strongly criticised yesterday after deciding not to send a man to jail when he was convicted of drinking and driving for the twelfth time. The man had already been banned from driving for 30 years Page 4

Vicar accused

A country vicar had a 10-year affair with one of his married parishioners and when that haison failed he seduced another woman who sought his help, a Church of England consistory court in Chichester Page 5

Lending fall

Bank lending in the UK fell to £4.6 billion from £7.5 billion in September, according to Bank of England statistics, providing further evidence that the economy is slowing ... Page 25

Aliysa verdict

The Aga Khan's Aliysa, win-ner of the 1989 Oaks, was disqualified by the Jockey Club's disciplinary commit-tee, which found her trainer. Michael Stoute, in breach of the rules of racing after the filly failed a drug text Page 46

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gle, she risks handing the ON OTHER PAGES leadership to a man she has condemned as backing Labour Two pages of policies and jeopardi reports and that she stands for. analysis ... 2, 3

Mr Heseltine said that he was "overwhelmed with gratitude to my parliamentary colleagues who in such large neasure have given me their Leading article... page 15 support". He said that he had Charles Wintour page 19 been supported by almost all those who had given him firm Political sketch .. page 24 pledges by yesterday morning.

The prime minister's imparty and left potential leader-ship canidates within the cabinet with the terrible dilemma of whether to break ranks and challenge her. Mr Hurd, seen by many as the most credible cabinet unity challenger to Mr Heseltine has ruled out entering a contest in which Mrs

Friends of John Major, the Chancellor, had been confidently expecting him, too, to enter the second round. But as the man who proposed Mrs Thatcher for the contest he, too, is effectively ruled out.

The party will now be in turmoil until the second round of the contest next Tuesday. Candidates have to

declare themselves by lunchtime tomorrow. Senior Tories will be in deep huddles over the next 24 hours as they consider whether they should encourage another challenger who could stand a better chance of beating Mr Hesel-tine in a third round two days after the next contest. Mr Heseltine has gained as

necessary contest should be Mrs Thatcher did in 1975 from being the first into the neth Clarke both emphasised that Mrs Thatcher would have field against the existing party leader and his challenge will now be taken very seriously. It out any further contest if only two more MPs had voted for her rather than Mr Heseltine. will be watched with anxiety by the Labour party, which her rather than Mr Heseltine. has noted the opinions polls but MPs at all levels of the party were saying that Mrs lead of around 10 points could be turned overnight into a damaged and that the end of her reign as leader of the party moon per / Mr Heseltine

were to become party leader. that Tory MPs had dreaded Conservative MPs were and one that will delight the delighted last night by only tabled by Neil Kinnock for port of 168 of the party's 372 early debate this week. Noth-MPs. Her campaign team was me could be more guaranteed warned by some MPs that to pull together the ranks of they were prepared to back her the disunited Conservatives. Immediately after the result was announced, the pound

slipped by one cent in New York to \$1.9610, having closed at \$1.9735 in London. expected, has built up consid-erable momentum and Mrs pound fell from DM2.9040 to around DM2.8950. Shares of many Tory MPs will conclude UK companies quoted in New that she cannot lead the party York fell by around 15 or 20 to victory at the next election. cents.

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Fighting on: Mr Heseltine and Mrs Thatcher yesterday, candidates in what Mr Hurd described as "this destructive and unnecessary contest"

Limelight-stealers spoil the challenger's day

By Alan Hamilton

THE challenger's efforts to make his fixed smile available to every chance camera on polling day were almost hijacked twise during a gruelling day of photo-opportunities yesterday. At his home in Belgravia, Mr

Heseltine was preparing to sally forth for his first engagement of the day, a his doorstep, when there was a sudden diversion. Norman Tebbit, who lives a few doors away, cruised by in his car and saw a chance for mischief. The Tebbit car kerb-crawled, and he got out. Had the tide turned to Heseltine? the media chorused, "Funnily enough, it has turned off him again. I think it is significant The Times has come out firmly for Mrs Thatcher, I think that's an important factor."

Moments after he had got back into his car, the door opened and Mr and Mrs Heseltine emerged. They kissed each other goodbye. "Has my friend Norman been here?" asked Mr Heseltine suspiciously. It was the sum

chauffeur-driven Jaguar whisked him to his Victoria Street office half a mile away. Outsider another gaggle of media awaited, only to be diverted by Dennis Skinner, MP for Bolsover,

Mr Skinner divulged that he had taken an exit poll at 11, one hour after Thatcher, one for Heseltine, and three refused to tell him, "What we've got here," said Mr Skinner, warming to his theme, "is a contest between two peroxide blondes, both millionaires. One has sixty million, the other ten million - or at least her husband does. And they're both into kinky costumes. They wear flak jackets, and she got dressed up as Elizabeth I the other night. It hasn't got much to do with

the people I represent in Bolsover." With Mr Skinner safely on his way, Mr Heseltine appeared, saying little. He had to walk just 10 yards to his car, but almost disappeared into a maul of

Dinner at Versailles or the Last Supper?

From Michael Binyon in Paris

IT WAS a ticklish piece of diplomatic protocol. Were Mrs Thatcher's European summit colleagues, admirers and old sparring partners allowed to wish her luck? Was it etiquetie? Was it domestic interference? Evidently many did, though British sources refused to say who. Surely at least President Gorbachev, the man who more than anyone brings a glint to her

eye? Perhaps. They both held their tête-à-tête, - "a very good meeting" blithely affecting nonchanlance about domestic cares. "They both have iron in their backbone," was the gruff official comment. But there was no nonchalance over

Mrs Thatcher's fate among the fellow summitteers. They looked on yesterday as though watching a Greek tragedy, awaiting the catharsis. The prime minister knew, and could not resist a little British understatement, for which we are all so celebrated in France. "I might be a little late," she told President Mitterrand.

apologising in advance if she was not in her seat when the curtain went up on the first Tchaikovsky pas de deux. The approaching dinner at Versailles grew to resemble the Last Supper. Mrs Thatcher fixed up a

frenzy of appointments to keep herself busy: sessions with the Russians, President Mitterrand, Turgut Ozal of Lubbers of The Netherlands. But her "distractions" at home were all anyone in Paris wanted to know about. Journalists were already setting

up camp outside the British Embassy long before the fateful hour. Americans were searching out dusty descriptions of the departure of Churchill from the middle of the Potsdam conference, never to return. Japanese were trying to pronounce Heseltine. History has been on everyone's

mind at the European security summit. Many spent two days wondering if they were witnessing the end of an era and a pheaomenon known as Thatcherism.

BR faces court on Clapham safety

By MICHAEL DYNES, TRANSPORT CORRESPONDEN

Work Act, leading to the triple train crash at Clapham Junction in December 1988 in which 35 people died, the transport department announced yesterday.

BR has been summonsed to appear before the South-West-ern magistrates court in Battersea, south London, on January 7, to face criminal charges of failing to ensure the safety of its employees, and putting passengers at risk.

It is understood the Railway Inspectorate will ask magistrates to send the case to the crown court, where British Rail faces the prospect of an unlimited fine if found guilty. The Clapham disaster occ-

urred when the Poole to Waterloo express ran into the back of the Basingstoke to Waterloo train which had stopped because of a faulty signal. A third train then crashed into the wreckage.

The inquiry into the causes of the crash, conducted by Sir Anthony Hidden, QC, identified faulty wiring as the primary cause of the disaster. It also highlighted a series of shortcomings in British Rail, including poor supervision and ineffective management, which allowed the wiring error

to pass unnoticed. Allan Green, QC, the Director of Public Prosecutions, decided there was insufficient evidence to bring any charges against individual employees for negligence or to prosecute British Rail for corporate manslaughter. However, the inquest on the 35 deaths decided the victims were unlawfully killed. Last night British Rail was unable to

BRITISH Rail is to be prose- disclose how it intended to cuted for alleged breaches of plead. British Rail could offer the 1974 Health and Safety at the defence that it was Work Act, leading to the triple "impracticable" to do any more than it had to improve safety.

John Prescott, Labour's

transport spokesman, said: "We absolutely welcome the decision to further the inquest verdict of unlawful killing by taking British Rail to court." Relatives of the Clapham victims last night gave a cautious welcome. Timothy Newman, aged 14, from Poole, Dorset, whose father was killed in the disaster, said: "My family have welcomed the decision but are still not hopeful that it will be a

Julian Dalrymple, aged 50, from Southampton, who lost his son in the crash, said: "We have waited two long years for this. At last somebody may be held responsible for the death of my son."

competition. Other petrol

follow Shell's lead in the next

few days.

Bush near agreement on force against Iraq

From MICHAEL EVANS IN PARIS

Gulf showdown peacefully.

Mrs Thatcher's officials

described the possibility of

markets and bulk prices on the

main Rotterdam exchange

have fallen steadily in the last

Jim Slavin, director of Shell's retail division, said:

"This latest reduction brings

they were before the Gulf

crisis began." The Automobile

Association said: "At the start

of the conflict, the signs were

very ominous indeed for

prices. But things are easing,

few weeks.

THE United States is now closer to winning enough world support for a new UN resolution, authorising the use of force against the Iraqis in Kawait. In spite of continuing reservations, the Soviet Union is expected to back Washington. However, it seems unlikely

that President Bush will be able to leave for Saudi Arabia tomorrow to visit American Forces with the wording of a new resolution in his pocket.
In separate talks with President Gorbachev, both President Bush and Margaret

Thatcher received a strong impression that, given time, the Soviet leader would vote in favour of force at the UN Security Council.

Moscow has already made it clear that it will not veto such a resolution. Washington does Moscow support for a new not want the Soviet Union to resolution as hopeful. "Mr take the next option, which is Gorbachev said he wanted

Petrol prices down tomorrow

By Kevin Eason, motoring correspondent

PETROL prices will fall to the start of October. Four-star allowed confidence over sup-

morrow to their lowest level petrol will be 208.7p (45.9p a plies to seep back into world

start of business, signalling a prices spiralling upwards on our petrol price close to where

was charging 207.7p for four-

five days of the August 2

Prices at the pump have up to a record 214p.

prices. But things are easing, now dropped 31p from Shell's

The three-month lull in the which is good news for motor-

239.6p a gallon record price at Middle East has, however, ists and businesses alike."

invasion, prices were forced

since the invasion of Kuwait, litre) at Shell filling stations, with the third reduction at the with unleaded at 195p a gallon

with the third reduction at the pumps in eight days. Shell, (42.9p a litre) and cuesar Britain's second largest oil 199.6p (43.9p).

The cost of Shell four-star is lowest since the

2,800 filling stations from the confrontation in the Gulf sent

new round of intense price fears over oil supplies. Shell

companies are expected to star at the end of July. Within

o abstain.

Having received Soviet cussions at the UN, after the to abstain. backing on every other UN Prime Minister told him she resolution on the Gulf, Wash-hoped he could support a new resolution on the Gulf, Washington is anxious to keep the Russians on board.

Even Moscow does not resolution, one British official said.

"The Soviet leader sees the

need to operate through the UN on the Gulf. But the really favour the alternative of abstention, since it would be an admission that it could not Soviets wat to make their own make up its mind. President Bush and Presi-We have to have in mind the dent Gorbachev are to hold a

Chinese, too."
Washington and London summit in Moscow early next appear to have decided to year, although there was no indication that this was to be handle the Soviet reservations with care and patience. But Gulf-oriented. In public, the that did not prevent the Americans and British from Moscow line continues to be that more effort was still conducting a series of highneeded to try and resolve the pressure salesmanship forays to win backing for a new UN However, after an hour with the Soviet leader yesterday,

On the second day of the 34nation summit of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe (CSCE), the Gulf pushed the turopean agenda to one side. During a closed session in

the afternoon, the leaders talked of issuing a joint declaration on the Guif.

James Baker, the US Secretary of State, met Eduard Shevardnadze, the Soviet Foreign Minister, twice. He is understood to have emphasised on both occasions that a new UN move was now needed to get the message across to President Saddam Hussein that he faced the certainty of war unless he withdrew his troops from Kuwait. The Baghdad an-nouncement that another 250,000 troops were to be sent to Knwait was being cited by

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This month's GQ looks at the women most men fall for. Plus the Hollywood mogal from Backury, account steress and classic juz-

GQ. The men's magazine with an LO. December issue out now.

Man with 12 drink-driving convictions walks free

By QUENTIN COWDRY, HOME AFFAIRS CORRESPONDENT

MAGISTRATES were strongly criticised yesterday after deciding not to send a man to jail when he was convicted of drinking and driving for the twelfth time.

Jeremy Smith, aged 27, admitted driving while over the legal alcohol limit, driving while disqualified and taking a vehicle without the owner's consent. He had already been banned from driving for 30 years in November 1989, and magistrates at Melton Mowbray, Leicestershire, gave Smith a four month jail term suspended for 18 months and disqualified him from driving for a further three years.

John Inglesant, chairman of the bench, told Smith that he should not consider that he was being let off as suspended sentences could easily be activated. Last night, however, MPs, voluntary groups and police organisations said that the sentence was too lenient.

lan Welch, for the prosecution, had told the court that Smith, who was allowed to write down his present address, was stopped in Melton Mowbray on October 5 in a car taken from outside a house in Grantham. He had 61 microgrammes of alcohol in 100 millilitres of breath. The legal limit is 35 microgrammes.

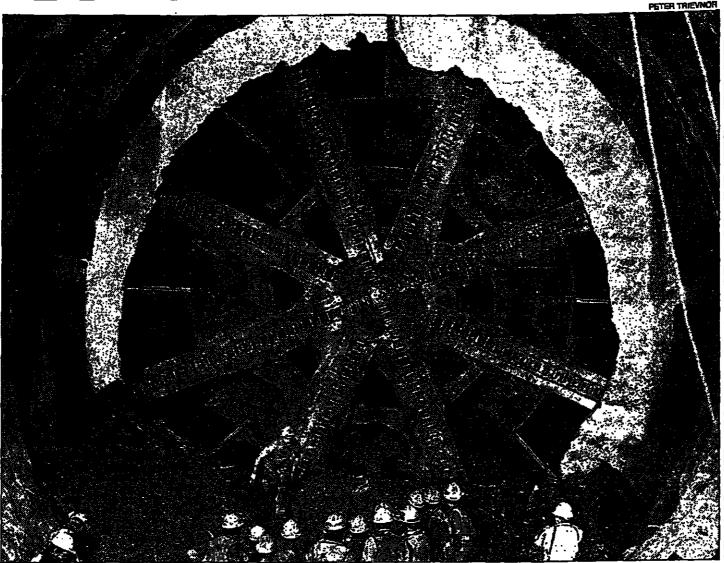
Oliver D'Sa, defending, said that Smith was a pest with a deplorable record who had not cut back on his drinking, but told magistrates: "I urge you not to yield to the temptation to use prison as a social dustbin to tuck him away out of sight and out of mind." Smith was a sick and lonely man who suffered from the twin vices of alcohol and cars.

A Police Federation spokesman said: "This is a case where the punishment does not fit the crime, If he is not going to prison then he should have received a heavy

Derek Rutherford, of the Institute of Alcohol Studies, also condemned the decision. He said that a prison term would have helped to protect the public from Smith for a while, and given him a chance to dry out. "It is time that society stopped colluding with this man in his dependence. He needs a shock, and prison might well have been the answer."

Greville Janner, QC, Labour MP for Leicester West, described the sentence as blinding stupidity. He said: "I would have sent him to prison, not merely because it was necessary in his case, but as a warning to others that drinkdrivers are a fearsome menace."

Alcohol Concern, however, emphasised the need for recalcitrant drink-drivers to be encouraged to cure their illness. Eric Appleby, director of the group, said: "This chap is plainly a menace to society, but sticking him in jail is not necessarily going to help." The government should extend the scheme under which drivers found to be more than 250 per cent over the limit or convicted twice for drink-driving within ten years have to be cleared by a doctor before being allowed to have their licence back, he said.



Opening time: workers watch another Channel tunnel milestone yesterday as the last of three underground sections between the Kent coast at Dover

and the terminal site near Folkestone breaks through. The £8.5 million boring machine excavated an average of 160 metres

must be hit and miss."

person on legal aid has access to

the best barristers, in the same way

as those who are well off." He will

fight to see that solicitor-ad-

vocates are subject to the cab-rank

rule, so that they cannot refuse

likely to be on the Bar's image.

Non-Oxbridge, unstuffy, from a family of Kent shopkeepers and

educated at a direct-grant school,

he says he is typical of the majority

of the Bar, who contrary to public

image, were non-élite.

Mr Scrivener's biggest impact is

legal aid cases on cost grounds.

removed more than 800,000 cubic metres of spail. It will now be dismantled and either sold or scrapped. The breakthrough, after a year of round-the-clock schedule and was described by Mr Colin Kirkland, Eurotunnel technical director, as a "tremen-

Bar's new chief urges reforms

REFORMS to the system for selecting judges to identify more women candidates and those from ethnic minorities were called for yesterday by Anthony Scrivener OC, the chairman-elect of the Bar. Mr Scrivener, aged 55, who takes up the post on January 1, said he had bee depressed to hear the Lord Chancellor say that there

was a shortage of suitable women for judicial appointment. "In my experience there are a number of extremely able women advocates who would make ideal judges," he

He favoured solicitors becoming judges. "There is no reason why a solicitor with proper training cannot be a good judge, going through the usual route of assistant recorder, recorder, crown court to High Court." His views to spot the people with ability. It on the need for reform mean that the Lord Chancellor will face a united front of both branches of the legal professsion over the need for a review of the judicial selection system.

Tony Holland, president of the Law Society, has called for such a review and yesterday Mr Scrivener backed a number of his views. Mr Scrivener wants a better system for identifying candidates and a wider system of taking soundings within the Bar. He said: "There is no point in

promoting people before their time; it just damages the group they represent. Quality must remain the predominant criterion. The question is, whether the Lord Chancellor's Department is able

Mr Scrivener intends, however world's endangered species, which may run into many millions, to make his top priority for 1991 access to justice and legal aid. "I

should be drawn up in the next 18 believe we will have to fight to months, Chris Patten, the envirmaintain the principle that a onment secretary, said last night. He also announced that Britain would host a seminar to discuss the issue early next year. Predictions that up to a third of

the world's species of animals, plants and insects may be extinct by 2025 could not be dismissed, Mr Patten said, giving the Natural Environment Research Council's annual lecture in London. "We are squandering this treasure house at a deeply disturbing rate."

It was absurd to pretend that every single species could be saved Nairobi.

Patten seeks agreement on endangered species

By MICHAEL McCarthy, ENVIRONMENT CORRESPONDENT

A GLOBAL agreement to save the out of the total number, estimated at between five million and 50 million, and efforts might be better directed at saving whole ecosystems such as forests. Mr Patten, who also announced that the British contribution to the

budget of the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) was to go up from £3 million to £4 million next year, said the government wanted to see an agreement on species conservation, or biodiversity, ready for signature by the time of the UN conference on environment and development in Brazil in June 1992. Negotiations begin this week at the UNEP headquarters in

NHS unions seek £20 rise for workers

Health service unions yesterday launched a campaign to achieve a £20 weekly pay rise for 180,000 ancillary workers, who carn as little as £101 for a 39-hour week

(Tim Jones writes).
Although most of the kitchen assistants, domestic assistants, cleaners and porters are part-time workers, the average weekly wage for a full-time male ancillary worker is about £175 a week, Despite their pressure on health service negotiators, it is unlikely that the unions will schieve anything near £20 all round.

The campaign is tied to a ten-point hospital "workers' charter" demanding greater health care-funding, independent arbitration on disputes and improvements in training and working conditions. Roger Poole, chief negotiator for the National Union of Public Employees, said the government was paying poverty wages.

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Drug plea stands

Patricia Cahill, aged 17, of Birmingham, who is accused of attempted heroin trafficking, told the juvenile court in Bangkok yesterday that she would continue to plead not guilty. Her lawyer said she had "agonised" for a week about the plea but would not change it as she had done nothing wrong. Another Birmingham girl Karen Smith, aged 19, has pleaded guilty to similar charges. The next hearing of the case will be on

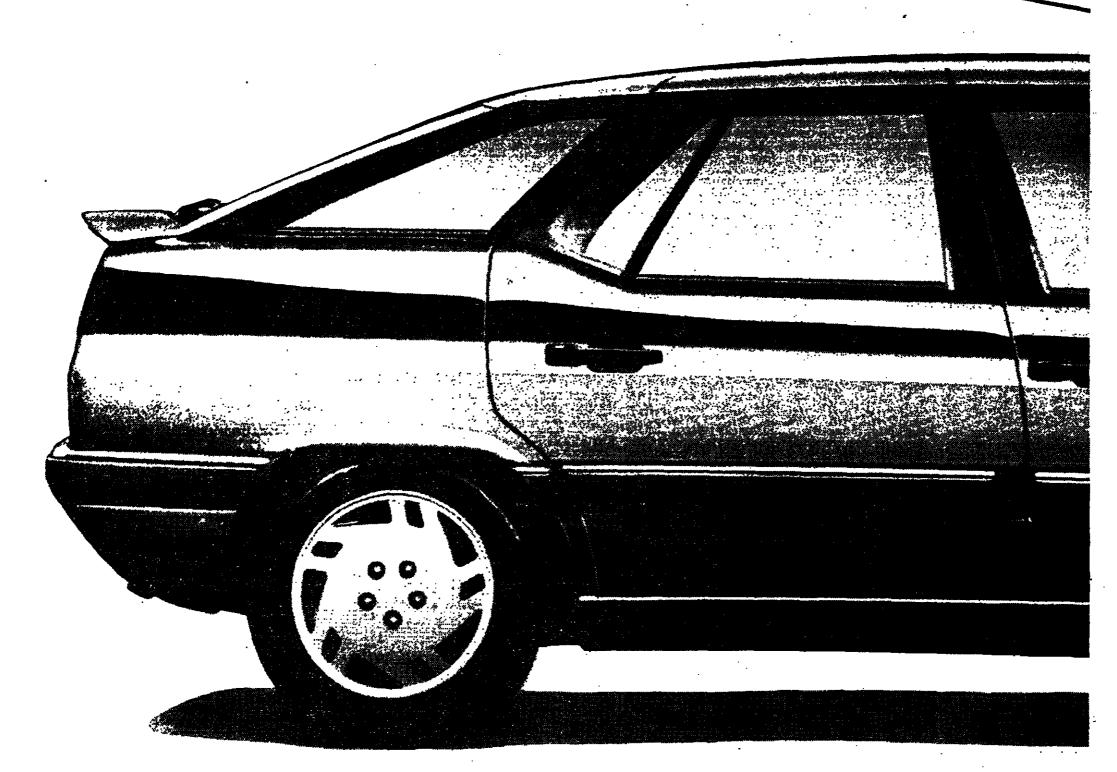
Air bomb detector

Colour x-ray machines which can detect explosives in baggage were not widely available at the time of the Lockerbie bombing, an expert told the enquiry into the air disaster yesterday. Richard Doney, of the Department of Transport, told the Dumfries hearing that the first machine used in the UK was installed at Belfast airport one month before the Pan Am bomb.

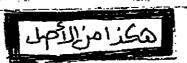
Case delayed

The High Court case in which Westminster council seeks to overturn a clause in the lease of an estate from the Duke of Westminster's Grosvenor Estate limiting the occupation of flats to "the working classes" was squeezed out of yesterday's lists at the Royal Courts of Justice by other business. It will now be heard by Mr Justice Harman in the Chancery division, starting today.

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Europe and poll tax turn loyalists to open rebellion

By SHEILA GUNN, POLITICAL REPORTER

MARGARET Thatcher's ob- port from her Derbyshire tion speech last week. John loyalists. Two of the most and Emma Nicholson, who had both worked closely with the prime minister. They said their decisions to withdraw support were made with regret and they emphasised their admiration for Mrs Thatcher's achievements.

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Some non-aligned MPs swung away from Mrs Thatcher after discovering at the weekend that support for her in their constituencies was not as solid as previously re-ported. They found a common loyalty to Mrs Thatcher. She thread running through com-ments by local activists: respect for what Mrs Thatcher had done and a wish to see her "go gracefully", coupled with a belief that the party needed a new leader before the next general election.

BBC Radio 4's The World This Weekend: "I think she (Mrs Thatcher) has been wrong on one or two issues

duracy to closer European South constituency associ- Lee, the former tourism minunity and the unpopularity of ation for Mrs Thatcher, Mrs ister and MP for Pendle, said: the poll tax caused the defec- Currie complained that the tion of a small band of former prime minister had become prime minister's apparent imloyalists. Two of the most surprising were Edwina Currie and Emma Nicholson, who had both model of the most increasingly hostile to the European Community. She also urged Mrs Thatcher to

> to disclose yesterday whether she bad voted for Michael Heseltine or abstained

Miss Nicholson, MP for Devon West and Torridge and a former vice-chairman of the party, said she had changed her mind slowly over the past voted for Michael Heseltine.

Although dismayed at the effects of the poll tax on some low-income, modestly housed constituents, she also cited Mrs Thatcher's attitude to the EC for her defection. "Michael Heseltine offers a vision, so does Douglas Hurd," she said. Mrs Currie, the former does Douglas Hurd," she said, health minister, admitted on About three-quarters of the constituents she had asked said it was time for a change. Comments by other defec-

tors indicated the impact of lately." In spite of firm sup- Sir Geoffrey Howe's resigna-

"I have been saddened by the age as a reluctant European. With Michael we would be in consider carefully her inter-national reputation before marginal northern seat, he said the "political disaster" of the poll tax needed a fundamental overhaul.

The political future of MPs who openly deserted Mrs Thatcher looks bleak. Not only can they expect no favours from their leader but many will also face a hard time in their constituencies. The group is split into MPs

who came out for Michael Heseltine and those who merely suggested it was "time for a change" without revealing their voting intentions. Party managers will need to exercise some care not to conduct too intensive a witchbunt against the "traitors" for fear of building up a constantly rebellious faction on the back benches. "Heselteenies" with south-

ern and Home Counties constituencies expect a rougher ride from their local activists than colleagues in northern seats, where anti-Thatcher feeling is running stronger. Michael Mates, MP for East Hampshire, Sir Neil Macfarlane, MP for Sutton and Cheam, and Cyril Towns-end, MP for Bexleyheath, have upset their constituency workers by opting for the former defence secretary.

Most of the "Heselteenies" have already endured years of being passed over for ministerial office or have been dismissed and so have little or nothing to lose.

Their official leader must be Michael "Colonel" Mates, who helped Willie Whitelaw in the second ballot of his leadership campaign in 1975, and led the Commons rebeltion on the poll tax.

The other key political exiles will be Keith Hampson, former parliamentary private secretary to Michael Heseltine, and Tony Nelson, MP for Chicester. Some of the "Thatcher must go" group, such as David Mudd, Sir Dennis Walters and last year's challenger, Sir Anthony Meyer, have announced they do not intend to fight the next election.







In the eye of the storm: Three key figures in the leadership contest arriving at the Palace of Westminster yesterday to cast their votes: (from left), Not Tebbit , former party chairman, Edward Heath, former prime minister, and Nigel Lawson, former chancellor

Cabinet places at risk if there is a new Tory leader

SEVERAL strong Thatcher in a Heseltine cabinet. Torv supporters are unlikely to MPs believe that he would be remain around the cabinet moved from the trade and table under any other prime Michael Heseltine has in-

dicated that he will not undertake major surgery at the top of the government if he becomes leader. After the inevitable divisions caused by the contest, his first task would be to restore party unity. Douglas Hurd and John Major would remain, as Mr Heseltine has a high regard for the chancellor and has suggested that there is little difference on Europe between him and the foreign secretary.

However, MPs suspect that Cecil Parkinson, the transport secretary, Peter Lilley, trade secretary, and Michael Howard, employment secretary, could be at risk. Chris Patten could be shifted from the environment department after his criticism of Mr Heseltine's

pledge to review the poll tax. Mr Parkinson's long and close association with the prime minister could well put his cabinet place in jeopardy. There is also a feeling that his and that he is nearing the end of his ministerial career.

industry department as his robust non-interventionist views contrast strongly with Mr Heseltine's more interventionist approach.

Several MPs would expect

Mr Heseltine to invite Sir Geoffrey Howe to return to high office, especially as it was his resignation speech that finally prompted the leader-ship challenge. The bitterness the speech has caused among some of Mrs Thatcher's supporters could however make Sir Geoffrey's return to office a controversial decision.

Although Michael Mates and Keith Hampson have played important roles in Mr Heseltine's leadership campaign, it is thought unlikely that he would reward them with a seat in the cabinet. Neither has ever held ministerial office and MPs believe Mr Heseltine would offer them only junior ministerial jobs.

One prospect is almost certainly ruled out in the event of Mr Heseltine becoming prime minister -- that he would offer performance as transport sec- a cabinet job to his prede-Thatcher's antipathy towards him, she would probably re-Even if Mr Lilley remained ject any offer he made to her.

Labour affects disinterest and counts its ammunition

Understandably, there is a

LABOUR'S public response to the Tory leadership battle opinion polis. has been to affect a lofty disinterest in the outcome. about the situation as Labour Behind this is an awareness

officials count the political that Labour's task at the next ammunition handed to them general election could be by Michael Heselune's chailmade much easier if the light enge and look forward to a were against a badly-wounded second round. The official line Mrs Thatcher rather than a from Labour, however, is that new leader who could give the the Conservatives are now

Neil Kinnock arriving at the Commons yesterday

divisions. The solits within the Tory party over such issues as Europe, education and the community charge are clear for all to see, Labour says. "In the months to come, whoever emerges as leader has the divisions hung round their

will be leading a divided

damaged and divided ir-

retrievably and that no leader

will be able to heal these

That is why Labour dismisses opinion potls which suggest that, under Mr Heselcent could be turned into a Tory lead of 4 per cent, at least in the short term. Under Mr Heselune, they believe there emerced again.

together for very long before he found the same problems that he feared facing Mr

Conservatives a boost in the with her cabinet," the official said. Neil Kinnock shrugs off the leadership contest, and feeling of Schadenfreude says that the outcome makes no difference to him.

He was quoted earlier this week in Der Spiegel, a German newspaper, as saying: I see two removal vans. One her successor I believe that Mrs Thatcher will go in a few weeks, one way or another. But, whoever her successor is,

we will win the next election." Party officials point out that as long ago as last March, after Labour's victory in the the Mid Staffordshire by-election, Mr Kinnock was forecasting that he would be facing a new Tory leader at the general may, however, be more wary neck with a vergeance," one of Mr Heseltine than any official said. "Whoever wins other possible replacement for Mrs Thatcher.

On November 7, before he announced his challenge, Mr Heseltine was attacked by Mr Kinnock during a Commons time, a Labour lead of 10 per debate, who said. "Those who snipe at the prime minister publicly but then cast around for surrogates and stalking horses deserve much the same would be "a few weeks honey- disdain, especially when they moon" before the divisions write a voluminous letter of criticism and then go off to the

MPs took this as a clear sign that Mrs Thatcher has had Heseltine as Tory leader.

to show their hand WOULD-BE challengers is due to face question time have less than 42 hours to at 3.15pm in the Commons.

Hurd: a sense of

duty and history

Time for challengers

show their hand between the close of the first ballot and the start of the next round. as nominations for the second ballot must be given to Cranley Onslow, chairman of the 1922 committee, by noon tomorrow (Sheila-Gunn writes). Nominations for the first

vote are now void and new candidates may come forward. The timetable is: Today: Margaret Thatcher returns from Paris at mid-; day from the Conference on Security and Co-operation in Europe. She intends to make a Commons statement on the summit at 3.30pm. She is due at Buckingham Palace in the evening for her weekly meeting with the Queen. Temerrow: Nominations close at noon. Mrs Thatcher

ambitions. Did he want to be

prime minister, he was asked. "Heaven forbid," he replied.

A moment elapsed and then

the more cautious comment

straints of security placed on

him already as the then Home

Secretary and former North-

ern Ireland Secretary and suggested that it would be

much worse as prime min-ister. He wanted to add to his

young children. His denials

sat uneasily with the rest of his

conversation, which showed a

politician with a vision and a

Conservative government

should head.
A few weeks later his Tory-

delivered at Tamworth to

celebrate the bicentenary of

French conservative leader in

the time of Peel, who advised

his followers, Enrichissez-yous, mes enfants. Peel would

never have agreed that the

accumulation of private wealth was the final aim of

policy, nor does this govern-

ment. The fruits of economic

success could turn sour unless

we can bring back greater

social cohesion to our

encouraged the accumulation

social cohesion fared as well?

is enriched by a deep know-

ledge of other times and other

places. In a recent interview in The Independent, Mr Hurd

country.

Sir Robert Peel's birth.

He mentioned the con-

followed: "I don't think so."

Tuesday, Nevember 27: MPs will vote in the second ballot in a Commons committee room between 11am and 6pm. A contestant needs a majority: 187 of the 372 MPs who are entitled to vote. Mrs Thatcher again faces Commons question

Thursday, November 29: If no winner emerges, the three candidates polling the highest number of votes can go into a third ballot, with MPs listing their first and second choices under a sinele transferable system of proportional voting. The candidate polling the lowest number of first preference votes is struck out and the second preference votes are redistributed among other candidates to decide

Jamie Dettmer studies the careers of two possible contenders

TWO years ago at a convivial compared his position as for-lunch in a London flat, Doug-las Hurd was closely ques-post-Cold War world with housing chairman at Lambeth difficulties, not difficulties, not the way you escaped from difficulties. lunch in a London that, Douglas Hurd was closely questioned by a group of journalists about his keadership build a new European order
ambitions. Did he want to be after Napoleon. "We have to borough council to secure the did not open avenues of demolition of the house he opportunity. What they said and his parents were reduced find a way of creating European structures which don't to live in after his father's a certain amount and a certain

Castlereagh had to do it in a way which didn't humiliate the French," he said. Educated at Eton, where he was captain of the school, Mr Hurd went on to take a First in History at Trinity College, Cambridge. He won both the presidency of the union and chairmanship of the Universeven political novels. He sity's Conservative Associ-wanted time with his two ation. From there he joined ation. From there he joined the diplomatic service and for 14 years remained a diplomat, serving in Peking, New York during the Suez Crisis and

firm grasp of where the Rome. Bored and frustrated, he started writing thrillers. He also wrote dozens of letters to possible employers, including ism was on display in a speech one to Edward Heath who took him up. He eventually went to Downing Street as Mr "I think it was Guizot, the Heath's political secretary.

It was his close connection with Mr Heath that proved a liabilty for Mr Hurd in the early Thatcher years. Promotion was hard to come by. Once up the ladder he increasingly became a central figure in the government - first at Northern Ireland where he began the difficult negotiations with Dublin that led to the Anglo-Irish agreement, then at the Home Office.

He continued: "Social cohesion alongside the creation of wealth through private enterprise these are the two conditions of our future progress." The speech could be read as a coded and quiet rebuke of the government. Yes, the years of Tory rule had and spread of wealth but had As befits a man whose grandfather and father were Tory MPs, Mr Hurd has a strong sense of duty and history. Mr Hurd's politics and his approach to problems

Hurd: promotion was

Major: truly a self-made man

business failed. humiliate Gorbachev. Just as Mr Major does not come

from the toff's wing of the Conservative party. The Chancellor's father, Abraham Thomas Ball, alass Tom Ma-jor of the vaudeville doubleact Drum and Major, was a versatile music-hall per-former. Late in life, Tom Major left the stage and set up as a sculptor and manufacturer of garden gnomes. A Huntingdon in 1979. His rise failed investment forced the in the Tory ranks has been Majors to swop their home in suburban Worcester Park, southwest London, for a tworoom flat in run-down Brixton.

Mr Major is living proof that the Conservative party has changed in the last decade or so. He is truly a self-made man, who left school at 16, worked as a labourer, went on the dole, got a job at the Electricity Board before progressing in Standard Chartered Bank. His escape from poverty came from his own exertions and determination.

With his background, it could be considered odd that he did not join the Wilsonian Labour party. Was he ever attracted to the Left? "Never for a second," he told one interviewer. "From a very precocious age, that always seemed to me to be the way



Major: living proof that Tories have changed

was, 'we will provide you with minimum but we will not help you and others like you to move out of your circumstances into better and much freer circumstances." "

At Standard Chartered

Bank he became the personal assistant to Anthony Barber, the former Tory Chancellor. After two attempts to win St Pancras North for the Tories. be was eventually elected at Huntingdon in 1979. His rise meteoric with eight government jobs in as many years. He shone as a chief sec-retary to the Treasury and it

was while he was there that it became clear that Mrs Thatcher had marked him out for high office of state. His few months as foreign secretary were not happy. It was an unexpected appointment. Mrs Thatcher had intended him for the chancellorship. In Kuala Lumpar, at the Commonwealth Conference, Mr Major was contradicted by Downing Street.

His handling of the prime minister has been sure-footed since then. He and Douglas Hurd managed to persuade Mrs Thatcher of the virtues of joining the exchange-rate mechanism. His performances in the Commons on economic matters have been adept. Tory MPs clearly believe that if anyone can swing the economy round, it is

But there are doubts as to whether he would make a good party leader and prime minister. Friends say that he is dry on the economy and soft on social issues. The formula is hardly brave and is certainly not visionary. Asked where he stood within the party by an interviewer last year, he said: "I myself would resist labelling. I am a free-marketeer, I could never accept the politics of soft options, because soft options are always bogus options — but beyond that, I believe in treating issues on

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Universities try to allay deficit fears

By JOHN O'LEARY, HIGHER EDUCATION CORRESPONDEN

UNIVERSITY vice-chan-cellors tried yesterday to allay fears of financial difficulties April, was said to be a following the declaration of a £4 million deficit at Bristol. Three universities in the past month have now frozen posts to try to balance their books.

The Universities Funding Council is meeting today to assess a budget for 1991-2 that but said that there was an The Universities Funding falls short of the £153 million needed to meet current expansion plans. Although Bristol's plight does not appear on the council's agenda, it may in-fluence debate on a mechanism to replace the council's

abandoned bidding system.

The decision by Sir John Kingman, Bristol's vice-chancellor, to freeze all new ders for new equipment wher-ever possible, has shocked ignes. Most insisted that deficits had been wiped out or were under control

imposed a "managed moradeficit of more than £500,000 on Friday. A spokesman said, however, that the

At Edinburgh university similar action is being taken to control a £3 million deficit. Bristol blamed unusually

the vice-chancellors say is led to six successive deficits. underlying problem that had Annual increases of 15 per cent in industrial funding and growing contributions from alumni had failed to cope with the costs of research. Don Carleton, the univer-sity's information officer, said: "This is one of the

and we want to stay in the top appointments and recall ordivision of international reders for new equipment whersearch, but if we cannot replace people there will be a gradual erosion of that." He added that teaching would not suffer and there was no inten-Liverpool university, which tion to introduce top-up fees.

Most other universities outtorium" on new appointments side London expect to break two weeks ago, will announce even in the current academic year. Only Newcastle, of a dozen universities contacted



Inflexible rules keeping a new family divided

A BRITISH couple who adopted two Romanian children five months ago have been told by government officials that they cannot bring them into the

The health department has rejected Jean and Patrick Luff as prospective adoptive parents on the advice of Bexley borough council, in spite of the council's having reversed its decision and now recommending that the couple are acceptable.

Faced with complex procedures for adopting children from overseas, a number of prospective parents have chosen to smuggle their children in without the required documents. None has yet been sent back or placed into care.

The case has implications for a number of other couples in similar circumstances, and illustrates the problems with the rules on inter-country adoption which Virginia Bottomely, health minister, has promised to review by the end of the year.

Mrs Luff, aged 37, says that on one hand she has been told that the decision is final and on the other that her case is still being consid-

A couple's fight to bring two Romanian children to Britain holds warnings for other hopeful adopters

Lin Jenkins reports ered. "Meanwhile our children are stuck in Romania in far from acceptable con-

"The youngest is in hospital with pneumonia and ve are terribly worried. The rules are there to safeguard the children, but at the moment our children have nothing. It is not possible to argue that it is not in their best interests to be allowed into Britain."

ditions," she said.

The couple from Sidcup, Kent, who cannot have children of their own, adopted the youngsters in June Marchel, aged three, was found abandoned on a train, and Florina, nearly two, was put in an orphanage at birth by her unmarried mother. Like many other British couples, their only hope of parenthood is adoption from overseas because the limited number of babies available.

They were accepted in Romania as prospective par-

study compiled by a private social worker. The government guidelines recommend that the study, into the suitability of the couple as adoptive parents, is done by the local authority.

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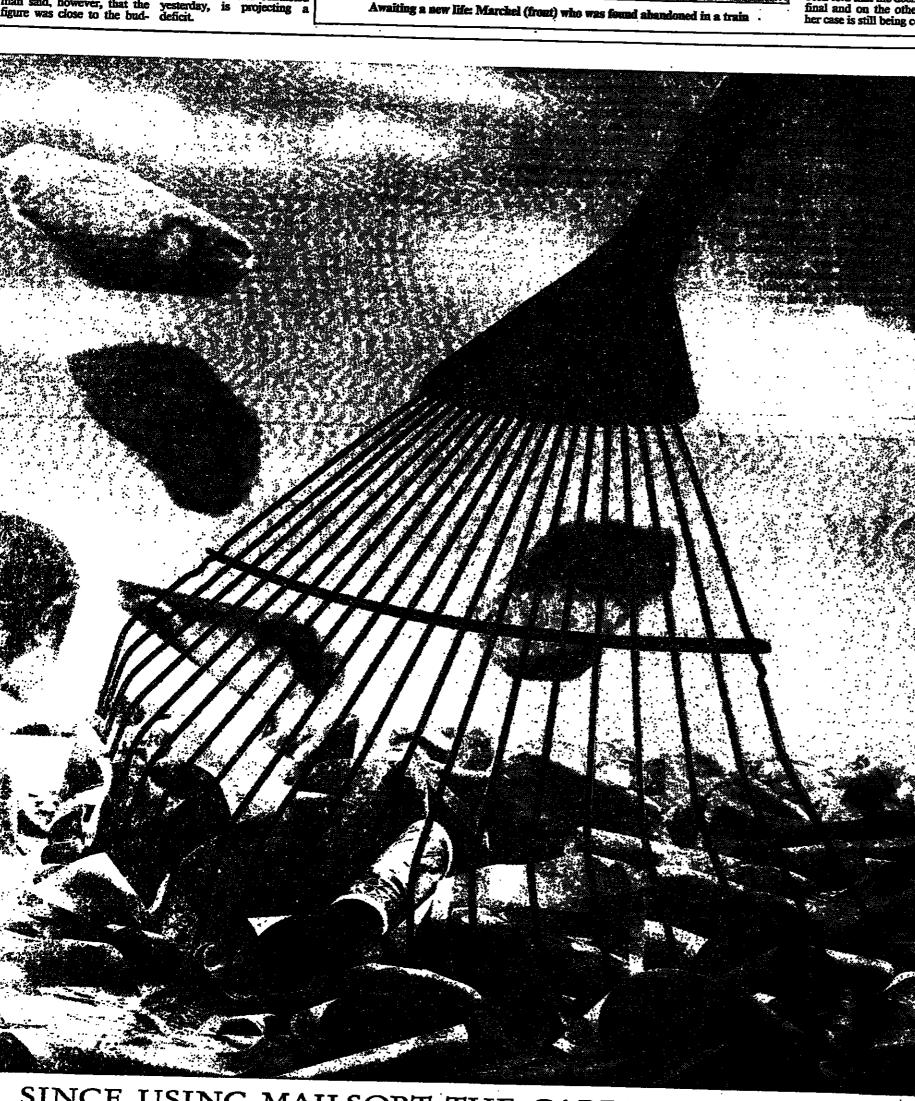
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On their return home, Bexley conducted its own study and the report, along with medical and police reports on the couple, was sent to the health department with the recommendation that the couple not Mr Luff, aged 53, had undergone heart surgery.

them down and Bexley referred the case to its own adoption panel, which recommended that the Luffs be allowed to bring the children in.

The health department said: "The decision has been taken and there is no form of appeal even if the local authority does a somersault They initially rejected Mr Luff on health grounds."

Bexley, however, says no final decision has been taken. Nick Johnson, director of social services, said the department was aware of the difficulty being experienced by the children.



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Attack on science spending

By NIGEL HAWKES SCIENCE EDITOR

THE pressure group Save British Science is to launch a new attack on government spending on science at its annual general meeting in London tonight.

benchmarks for the year 2000, to try to maintain the pressure which has embarrassed ministers and forced the government to keep secret the recommendations made by its scientific advisers.

Alan Howarth the minister responsible for higher education and science, will debate its conclusions with Jeremy Bray, the shadow science min-ister, and Matthew Taylor, the Liberal Democrat spokesman. There will be little in the report to please Mr Howarth, for Save British Science does not accept government claims that it has maintained the proportion of national wealth spent on research.

A study published earlier this year by research workers at the Science Policy Research Unit at Sussex university and the university of Edinburgh showed that Britain was spending almost £400 million a year less on basic research than either France or Germany. Harry Atkinson of the Science and Engineering Research Council reached similar conclusions. He showed that total spending on research and development in Britain, at £9.7 billion, was only about three quarters that of France (£12.8 billion) and half that of

nent on science spe was being used to bring extra pressure on it.

Ancient peatbog to be saved

ing lowland bogs, Chat Moss on the borders of Salford and

Wigan, is to be preserved in a

joint conservation venture by

local councils, Greater Man-

chester Countryside Unit said

Chat Moss, which once

The group will publish a new report, British science:

Germany (£19 billion). government's diffi-in countering arguments of this sort is that they are supported by virtually all scientists in Britain, including many who advise the govern-This year, for the first time, the advice given by the Adv-isory Board for the Research Councils has not been published, making it impossible to compare the figures in the ment. The change was made because the government felt that the advice, which had been critical of spending cuts,

covered a vast area of south Lancashire, is the home of a rich variety of wildlife. Years of draining and peat-cutting have almost destroyed the moss, but it is hoped to reduce peat extraction and encourage mossland plants to return. £620,000 award

Paul Moore, aged ten, who is profoundly physically and mentally handicapped as the result of negligence during his birth at St John's Hospital Chelmsford, was...awarded agreed damages of £620,000 at the High Court yesterday against Mid Essex health authority.

Bodies found

Piles of bodies have been unearthed by workmen clearing toxic waste from a build-ing site at Chatham dockyard, Kenf. They are thought to have been prisoners who died in captivity during the Napoleonic wars and they may be returned to France.

Attacker jailed

William McPhilbin, of Nottingham, a former heroin addict who stabbed a woman 229 times and then raped her daughter aged 13, while high on drugs, was jailed for life for murder and ten years for rape

Cruelty to spider Liam Conway, of Erdington, who left a 4in diameter hairy zebra tarantula spider without food and water for at least nine days was fined £50 at Birmingham yesterday.

Chess hopes

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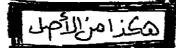
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Vicar 'seduced second parishioner after ten-year affair faded'

By PAUL WILKINSON

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A COUNTRY vicar had a tenyear affair with one of his married parishioners and when that liaison began to fade he seduced another member of his congregation who sought his help, a Church of England consistory court in Chichester was told yesterday.

The Rev Tom Tyler, vicar of Henfield, West Sussex, since 1978, told one of his lovers that he wanted to wrap her in "a blanket of love", it was alleged. When confronted by the other woman's husband the vicar said: "I cannot repent what I do not regret," the hearing was told.

Mr Tyler, aged 50, married with four children, denies five specimen charges alleging that he committed adultery with the two women between September 1987 and October last year.

They form an indictment used

only once before by the Church of England, alleging that by commit-ting adultery "with a woman within his cure of souls" he is guilty of conduct unbecoming a clerk in holy orders. The verdict will be decided by a panel of two clergy and two lay members of the Chichester diocese.

At the start of yesterday's hearing the chancellor of the diocese, Judge Quentin Edwards, QC, who is presiding over the case, invoked powers under the 1963 Ecclesiastical Jurisdiction Measure, closing the court to press and public for all the witnesses'

He said it would concern adultery and matters involving

confidential relationships. Witnesses would be asked about "intimate and potentially highly embarrassing matters".

He said he was making the ruling in the interests of justice and referred to the 1926 Judicial Proceedings, Regulations and Reports Act which made it an offence to publish evidence "likely to injure public morals".

Opening the case against Mr Tyler in open court, Nicholas Atkinson, a barrister acting for the Bishop of Chichester, said that "conduct unbecoming" was un-defined in church statutes, but it related to the canons which control the way clergy order their lives, "and they proscribe im-moral conduct". If the vicar had committed adultery he would be guilty of conduct unbecoming.

Mr Atkinson, who wore gown and wig for the hearing in a church hall, said that the charges involved Mrs Susan Whittome, the wife of a Henfield fruit grower, and Mrs Barbara Edwards, a mother of two, aged in her thirties.

In the late 1980s Mrs Edwards's younger child died of cot death syndrome. The village organised a holiday in Spain for the family, but on the trip her other child had to be admitted to hospital with convulsions and when they returned home her husband was taken ill. "She turned to the church for

support because she had difficulty in discussing her innermost feelings even with her husband," Mr Atkinson said. She attended bible study classes and Mr Tyler visited

her at her home in Upper Station

Road, Henfield, with increasing regularity.

His comforting of her became more intimate. He held her hand and put an arm around her. On at least half a dozen occasions he kissed her on the lips, Mr Atkinson said.

Incidents of sexual familiarity became more regular and Mr Tyler told her he wanted to wrap

her in a blanket of love."

They first had sexual inter-course in 1988, Mr Atkinson said. Afterwards the vicar said he was sorry but he had wanted to show her how much he loved her. She said she felt guilty, but the relationship continued.

On one occasion at her house they had just closed the living room curtains when her husband came home unexpectedly and accused them of having an affair. Mr Atkinson said that the affair

with Mrs Whittome, a woman in her fifties, began soon after Mr Tyler moved into the parish. She was a regular churchgoer and her husband was ordained five years ago. He is now a curate in the parish on an unpaid basis.

The affair began shortly before Christmas 1978 after a choir practise at the church when Mr Tyler gave Mrs Whittome an affectionate kiss on the lips. He said: "That is not just Christmas spirit."

It developed rapidly and intercourse took place at several loca-tions, including the vicarage, Mrs Whittome's home and the back of the vicar's estate car. But in August 1988 she began to suspect that he was seeing someone else



The Rev Tom Tyler in the garden of his home in Henfield. He denies charges of adultery with two women

been slaughtered in the past 12 zoos and the introduction of

and the affair cooled.

The following summer she told her husband and he confronted the vicar. Mr Tyler responded by saying "I cannot repent what I do not regret." She then made a formal complaint to the bishop which resulted in yesterday's charges. At the conclusion of Mr

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are expected to be killed next year.

The figure could increase dramati-

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picions about Karla are

Atkinson's 20-minute opening speech the court went into camera where it is likely to remain for the three weeks the hearing is ex-

It reopens the public when counsel make closing speeches to the assessors and the chancellor

pected to last.

in advertisements by nearly twoto-one and male voice-overs were used in 89 per cent of commercials. Occupations, when given or implied in commercials, showed that men were more than twice as likely to be represented in some

Study into link between crime and TV violence

be questioned in a two-year investigation designed to find out whether there is a causal link between television violence and aggressive or criminal behaviour.

The £80,000 project, commissioned by the Broadcasting Standards Council, is the first in-depth British study to discern the role of television in creating fantasies in some viewers' minds that might lead to violent crime. Researchers from Asion university's communications department, in conjunction with Dudley health authority, will also interview "ordinary people.

Respondents will be tested for physiological arousal when viewing films and violent television series. Other methodologies will include "fantasy scripts" spoken or written by offenders, reports of viewing history, free-recall of aggressive fantasies, trigger images and contextualised violence and interviews with offenders who say they have been influenced by television.

The project, which begins next month, was announced yesterday by the council, which becomes the statutory watchdog for standards of taste and decency on radio and television from January 1.

The broadcasting council has also published a research document on sex role stereotyping in television commercials. A detailed content analysis of 476 peak-time commercials on ITV showed that, while there is less evidence of sexual stereotyping than has been claimed by feminists, the patterns emerging from the study lend strong support to the concern that women exist in what is essentially a man's world.

The study found that women still occupy a far more decorative role in commercials than men. Women in advertisements for all product types were more likely to be young and attractive. Sixty-four per cent of all women used in commercials were deemed to be attractive enough to model in a fashion magazine, compared to just 22 per cent of the men.

Men also outnumbered women

SEX offenders, violent criminals kind of paid employment. Conand schizophrenic convicts are to trary to criticism that women are too often portrayed as housewifes, however, the study found that housework was the dominant activity of only 7 per cent of women and the secondary task of another 16 per cent. Attempts to portray men doing traditionally feminine" tasks such as cooking or cleaning tended to backfire. Men were seen cooking only for friends, whereas cooking for the family is still left to women.

A separate research document on children's perception of television programmes found that all of the 55 children aged six to nine interviewed at a Leeds primary school had an incomplete understanding of the motives of characters. The children often did not remember or understand essential plot elements.

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Pressure on satellite TV stake

THE Home Office is to come under pressure from the shadow Independent Television Commission to force News International to reduce its stake in the merged British Sky Broadcasting from 50 per cent to 20 per cent (Melinda Wittstock writes).

The commission wants the Home Office to apply the same non-European Community and cross-media ownership restrictions that relate to domestic satellite licences to BSkyB, which is categorised as non-domestic as it transmits via the Astra satellite based in Luxembourg.

Labour politicians and British Satellite Broadcasting (BSB) have lobbied unsuccessfully for two years to bring Sky under the same restrictions. The commission is to ask the Home Office to delay secondary legislation outlining ownership provisions so the pos-ition of News International can be considered.

☐ Bob Phillis, group managing director of Carlton Communications, will take over from Sir David Nicholas as chief executive of ITN in February. Sir David will continue as ITN chairman.

Antelope's death raises new mad

By MICHAEL HORSNELL

THE death of Karla, a popular antelope calf at London Zoo, has aroused fears that mad cow disease may be spread from mother to offspring with worrying im-plications for cattle and the human food chain.

If scientists confirm these fears, many more cattle could have the disease than the agriculture ministry had thought, although there is still no direct evidence that cattle can pass the disease from one generation to the next. Karla died on November 12 after showing the nervous and debilitating symptoms associated with bovine spongiform encephalopathy (BSE) only 15 months after her mother died from the

Scientists at the British Veterinary Association's laboratories in Weybridge, Surrey are examining brain tissue from the 18month-old calf amid growing suspicion that the case will be the first to confirm direct "vertical transmission" of the disease in ungual or hooved animals. Although scientists know that scra-

sheep, may be passed between generations there has been no evidence of maternal transmission in other species.

pie, the form of the disease in

The agriculture ministry is anxiously awaiting the results of the tests on Karla, which are expected within the next two weeks, and might decide to take more stringent precautions to ensure the disease does not pass into the human food chain. These could include culling in the female line.

confirmed. Her mother, a fine example of

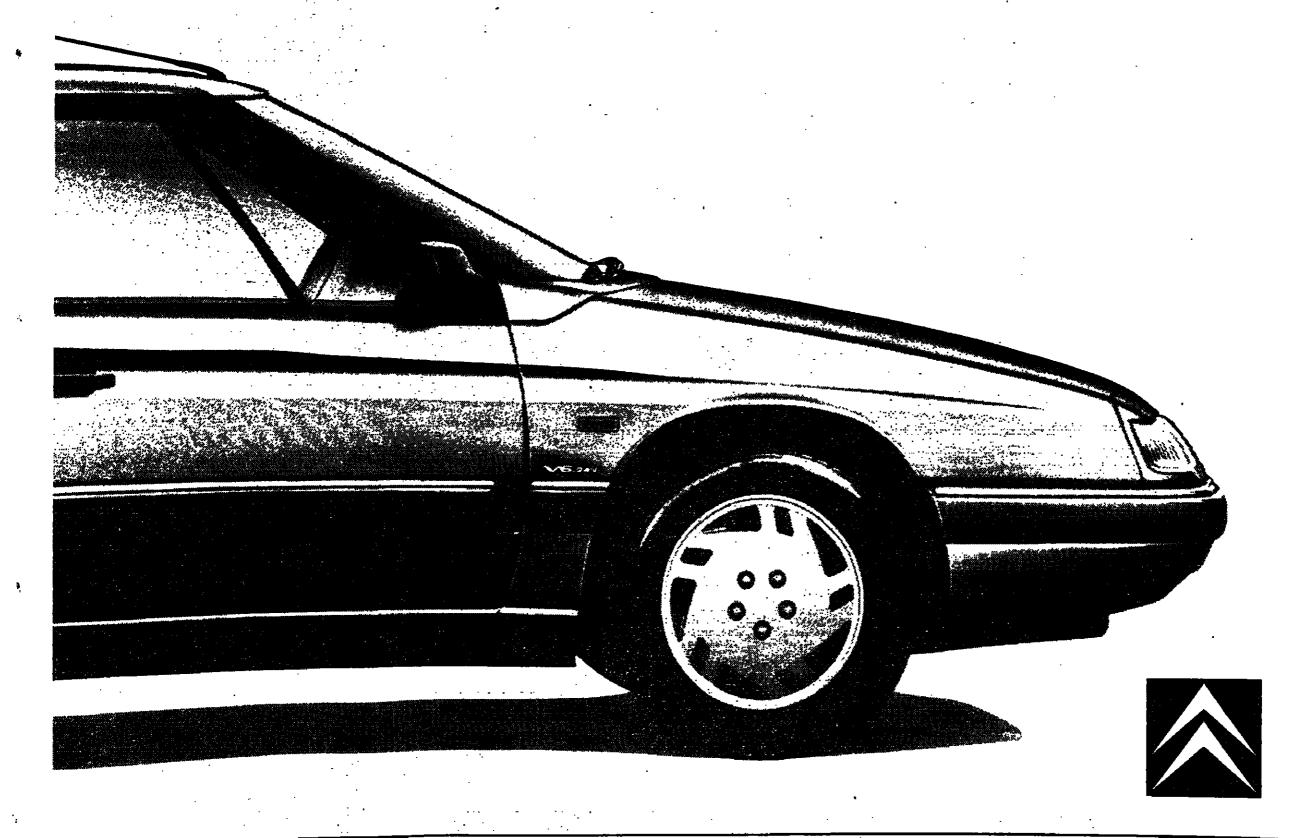
the large white-striped, spiralhorned antelope of genus strepsiceros, died in August 1989. A pathology report said that if vertical transmission could occur there were likely to be "farreaching consequences for the pected of contracting BSE have movement of animals between

captive-bred animals into the wild". It is known that if Karla had BSE she could not have caught it from bone-meal, which is believed to have been the source of her mother's infection. In 1988 the government banned the feeding of ruminant remains to other ruminants in an attempt to cut off this source of infection.

London Zoo confirmed that histopathological tests are being carried out on Karla to find out whether the disease was passed through the placenta.

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Modify Ulster claim, Fine Gael chief says

By Edward Gorman, IRISH AFFAIRS CORRESPONDENT

Republic's main opposition party called yesterday for articles 2 and 3 of the constitution to be modified,

John Bruton, who was ap-pointed leader of Fine Gael yesterday after the resignation last week of Alan Dukes, said that articles 2 and 3, which claim Northern Ireland as part of the national territory, must recognise that the prior cousent of a majority in Northern ireland should be required before the claim could be

"That principle is enshrined in the Anglo-Irish agreement and in the 1975 Helsinki accord". Mr Bruton said. "The Irish people should be asked to write that principle

Dukes who was also committed to modification of the articles, will be welcomed by standing affront to the United the age of 21. Kingdom's sovereignty in Northern Ireland. Unionist abolition of the articles as a pre-condition to agreement on 17 per cent of the vote.

THE new leader of the Irish any new political structures in Northern Ireland

Mr Bruton, who also called on the constitutional parties in Ulster to enter talks under the Brooke initiative, takes the helm at Fine Gael after two consecutive general election defeats, a disastrous performance in the recent presidential election, and a general perception that the party has lost its way. Fine Gael has 55 seats in the

166-seat Dail, but recent opinion polls puts support for it at 26 per cent. If the party is to form a government, that would have to rise to at least 47 per cent.

Mr Bruton, aged 43, who is married with a son and three daughters, is a farmer and into articles 2 and 3 of our constitution."

Mr Braton's remarks, which develop the position under Mr Dakes who was also commits. minister and minister for industry in coalition administrations under Garret Fitz-Unionists who regard that Gerald. He was first elected part of the constitution as a MP for Co Meath in 1969 at

Mr Dukes resigned last week when the party's presileaders have called for the dential election candidate, Austin Currie, received only



Waddington: wants parents to be more responsible

Bill will bring cut in jail population, Waddington insists

THE Criminal Justice bill will lead to a reduction in the prison population, David Waddington, the home secretary, told MPs yesterday during its second reading in

Mr Waddington made clear that that the legislation was not an exercise in getting rid of prison overcrowding regard-less of the protection of the

However, he said that its new sentencing framework. should lead to a reduction of 1,500 prisoners and changes in the parole system should lead to a further reduction of 500. He said: "The aim of the proposals is to deal with offenders and stop crime more effectively. We expect them to lead to a fall in the use of imprisonment and therefore to a fall in the prison population. This is obviously to be welcomed and I expect it to happen - though the numbers involved are in the nature of things difficult to estimate.
"But I do not want there to

any misunderstanding. This is certainly not a measure designed to achieve some artificial, short-term reduction

The main points of the bill are: a more coherent sentencing framework; a broader range of community penalties; "unit fines"; penalties for parents who wilfully fail to control delinquent children; contracting out court escort duties; reducing the maximum penalty for theft from ten to seven years and for non-domestic burglary from

fourteen to ten years in prison numbers at the expense of the protection of

The debate was marked by a call from Roy Hattersley, the shadow home secretary, for a provision to outlaw bias in the courts against Asian and black British people,

Mr Hattersley also pressed for a sentencing council to review the general sentencing policy of the courts and to give advice, and for a rule under which defendants must be brought to trial within 112 days of committal

Mr Waddington said that the bill reformed the parole

so serious that a custodial

system so that those in cus-

tody would generally spend greater proportion of their sentence in custody and would

be supervised on release. He called for consistency of sentencing but told MPs that he had resisted imposing "de-tailed and rigid" sentencing rules upon the courts. A custodial sentence was to be passed only if the offence was

tion. That would ensure "that those who abuse children will not be able to hide behind the

demonstrated the feasibility of electronic monitoring. He added: "It completely baffles me why the press keep insist-ing that the defying of conditions of bail in some of these cases proves that monitoring

they did, that the conditions were not observed, the mon-

The bill also places a duty on courts to require parents to attend hearings involving their children. It extends the powers of the court to bind over the parents of offenders to exercise proper control.

Mr Hattersley said that in many ways crime was increased by sending to prison people who should not be there. Labour shared the government view that some crimes, particularly the vi-olent and sexual, should result in prison sentences, and supported the principle that many other crimes should not carry custodial sentences.

There was inconsistency in the bill and that re tions, as well as an absolute failure to introduce procedures that would ensure successful application of the principle that the government

sentence could be justified. The bill also allowed the admission in court of video interviews with children and video link for cross examina-

difficulties which their victims now face in going to court", he During his speech, Mr Waddington gave his support to the electronic tagging of people remanded on bail. He said that pilot schemes had

does not work. "If the authorities knew, as

itoring was highly successful."

timed to support, of sentences being related to the offence. The keystone of the bill was that custodial sentences should be imposed only when the crime was too serious to justify anything less. Unfortunately no attempt was made to define "serious". Ambivalence produced confusion that could result only in the supposed intention of an appro-priate sentence for an appropriate crime being



Figures show that there has been an increase of 20,000, or 10.6 per cent, in the number of full-time and sandwich-course students in polytechnics compared with last year and a 3.6 per cent increase in the number of part-time

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students. Mr Clarke said that government policy was aimed at ensuring that an even higher proportion of young people should get good quality education.

Scots vote

Alex Salmond. Scottish National MP for Banff and Buchan, has reacted to the prime minister's sugges tion that there could be a referendum on European monetary union by tabling a motion demanding a referendum on Scottish independence.

Overseas vote

Government departments are spending about £425,000 in overseas publicity on the new provisions giving votes to British citizens living overseas, Angela Rumbold. home office minister, said in a written reply.

Nuclear test

Britain carried out an underground nuclear test at the American test site in Nevada last Wednesday, Archie Hamilton, the armed forces minister, said in a written reply.

Brooke's pps



Kenneth Hind (above), MP for Lancashire West, has been appointed parliamentary private secretary to Peter Brooke, Northern Ireland secretary. Mr Hind replaces Peter Bottomley, who has resigned the post.

Parliament today Commons (2.30): Questions: Scotland, Debates on opposition motions on Scotland and on the textile industry. Lords (2.30): Debate on

Tories 'proving they are unfit?

By JOHN WINDER

LABOUR jibes about the state the Queen's speech debate the of the Conservative party were government had had a majorturned aside in the Commons election victory.

Mr MacGregor was stand-

ing in for prime minister's leader of the Opposition, questions while Margaret Thatcher attended the Paris "general climbdown" on city conference on European security and co-operation.

Thomas McAvoy, Labour
MP for Glasgow, Rutherglen,
said that the Conservative
Party was split from top to
bottom in an orgy of bitterness, animosity and hatred.
"They are movine that they "They are proving that they are unfit to govern."

dums, but should call the only one that mattered, a general

yesterday by John Mac-Gregor, leader of the House, who said the party was on course for a fourth general ity of 108 on its programme a very considerable victory. Roy Hattersley, deputy

"general climbdown" on city technology colleges, but Mr MacGregor replied that there Thomas McAvoy, Labour was no climbdown. There was

ershire NW, that not the least of Mrs Thatcher's achieve-ments had been that the Mrs Thatcher had a new-found enthusiasm for referen-Opposition had changed so many of its own policies on Europe, the economy, and in election, to give the people the so many other respects, since opportunity to elect a Labour 1983. That was a clear indica-Mr MacGregor said that in ment had achieved.

Curious members

WHEN it comes to asking who put down 705. In third questions, Labour and Plaid and fifth places came the Plaid Cymru MPs come out top, Cymru MPs, Dafydd Elis Thomas and Dafydd Wigley. yesterday by John Mac-Gregor, leader of the Commons (Sheila Gunn writes). Austin Mitchell, Labour MP for Great Grimsby, tabled the highest number of written questions to ministers last session, 820 in total, easily

The highest scoring Conservative MP is Teresa Gorman (Billericay), who tabled 316 questions and the top Liberal

Democrat was Simon Hughes, with 440. Scoring high in the table is a dubious honour because of the beating Labour's energy high cost involved in answer-

A TIMELY REMINDER THAT TCP SOOTHES THE ODD INJURY SUFFERED IN THE HOUSE.

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Competition to design new museum for Scotland

By KERRY GILL

AN INTERNATIONAL com- them. Although the govern-Museum of Scotland. It is the private money raised will provide an even larger budget. £25 million and to be the most

A new Scotlish museum significant building financed second world war.

CLAS WAS EVERY

with raising money to enhance the quality of the building and its exhibitions. Dr Robert Anderson, director of the National Museums of Scotland, said the museum could be opened by 1996.

Plans for the museum, which will be on a site in the been criticised as too small.

Critics say it will be on a could concentrate only on cramped site and be little in the could concentrate only on highly significant artefacts.

"A Museum of Scotland." Royal Museum of Scotland next door.

The Marquess of Bute, chairman of the National Museums of Scotland trustees, said: The new museum will be one of the most important cultural

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recent years. "It will provide the architect with an opportunity to contribute a significant build-ing to the historic city of Edinburgh. The building must be of the highest quality, something of remark and excellence, which will at last provide a suitable setting for our unequalled collections of Scottish material."

The competition will be held in two stages. John Spencely, president of the Royal Incorporation of Architects in Scotland, said anonymous submissions would be invited from architects throughout the world by next April Up to 20 designs would be selected the following month and a short list of eight entrants would be asked to submit more detailed schemes, which would include technical details and cost.

Mr Spencely said information on the site will be given to the entrants and the style of the interior and exterior left to



could be open by 1996

petition was launched yes-ment has promised up to £25 terday to design the new million at last year's prices,

was first proposed in the by the government since the Williams report on the national museums of Scotland in The Prince of Wales has 1981. It suggested two museagreed to become president of ums, one in Edinburgh and a patrons' committee charged another in Glasgow, concentrating on the country's indus-

trial heritage.

Julian Spalding, director of Glasgow Art Galleries, believes the proposed museum is on too small a site. He told the Royal Scottish Academy that it should be large enough to contain industrial and social

that is only in part a museum of Scotland immediately has The winning design will be an identity problem. It raises chosen by a committee of expectations it cannot fulfil As it is proposed, the new world's best known architects. Scotland but an extension of the Royal Museum, for the better showing of its Scottish collections

"A Museum of Scotland is building projects undertaken an ambitious and exciting in the United Kingdom in concept. If we want one, we should do justice to the subject. If we don't want one, let's drop the pretence, abandon the grand name and admit that the Royal Museum is just being extended to improve its own Scottish displays."

Richard Morrison, page 14



Buyer wanted: the early Renaissance frontage of the Grade I-listed Hill Hall, near Epping, which was ravaged by fire 21 years ago

Battered Elizabethan gem seeks loving care

By JOHN YOUNG

HILL Hall, near Epping, which was gutted by fire 21 years ago, stands guarded by a 20-stone former member of the Black Watch and nine fierce dogs, its boarded-up windows staring sightlessly over the Essex countryside.

The house, listed Grade I, was built between 1569 and 1575 by Sir Thomas Smith and Richard Kirkby, and is regarded as an internationally important example of early English Renaissance architecture, with four

wings surrounding an open court-yard. Two of the otherwise desolate upstairs rooms contain the only surviving examples of Elizabethan decorative wall paintings, thought to date from about 1576.

It is probably the grandest of some 150 neglected buildings in need of loving care and attention, which are described and illustrated in Nobody's Home, a booklet published by the conservation group Save Britain's

During the last war the house was requisitioned by the government and

handed over to the Home Office, which used it as a rural extension of Holloway prison. The house and grounds are now in the care of English Heritage, which carried out consolidation work a few years ago with a view to opening it to the public as an ancient monument.

As a ruin, however, it was thought to possess little interest and it was decided to seek a buyer prepared to restore it at an estimated cost of £4-£8 million. Further damage, though not to the house itself, has been inflicted by the M25 which carves a great swathe though the park designed by Humphry Repton. English Heritage feels, however, that its proximity to the M25, M11 and London may prove an attraction.

Three years ago a sale fell through but negotiations are now under way with another potential buyer. English Heritage said it was prepared to offer a long lease, probably of 125 years, but restoration work would have to be approved in detail, and only certain uses would be allowed. Conversion to offices or a hotel would probably be acceptable.

Sex crime prisoners in cells 20 hours daily

By QUENTIN COWDRY HOME AFFAIRS CORRESPONDENT

SEX offenders at Chelmsford jail in Essex are locked up in their cells for more than 20 hours a day, with no opportunity to work and minimal access to education and exercise, according to a Prisons Inspectorate report published

The amount of time spent in cell by all inmates is unacceptable, but conditions for prisoners segregated for their own protection are worse, Judge Stephen Tumim, chief inspector of prisons,

During his visit to the local ail earlier this year, Rule 43 inmates complained that they were often allowed only three 30-minute exercise sessions a week and that education consisted of nothing more than a general conversation with a teacher on one afternoon a

"The regime for those held on Rule 43 was very unsatisfactory and an active programme should be pro-duced to include work, education and association," Judge Turnim says. Conditions for remand prisoners were only marginally better.

The report also calls for the jail's hospital, described as "disgracefully dilapidated", to be replaced and for inmates to be checked by medical staff on first entering the prison. However, the report notes that staff-inmate relations are generally amicable and that prisoners are well-behaved.

Mike Stewart, assistant director of the National Association for the Care and Resettlement of Offenders, said Chelmsford jail was failing to help reform inmates, one of the duties of the prison

Hillsborough case relatives warned

RELATIVES of the Hills pen, not only do you put

vised the relatives against have responsibility as well as a trying to influence the juty's duty."

verdict and said that the press Video film was played verdict and said that the press Video film was played had a duty to treat the inquest showing the build-up to the as any other court of law.

the 1989 disaster, Dr Popper paper article yesterday. "It is wrong that a paper and the people who give interviews should attempt to pre-empt. your decision," he told the jury. "The only thing that matters as far as your verdict is concerned is what happens in this court."

Dr Popper told relatives of the victims: "If you give bodies. interviews on what you think The has happened or should hap- today.

borough football disaster vic- yourself at risk of being in tims who try to pre-empt the contempt, you also put your inquest verdict in newspaper case at risk because it may not interviews could be in con- be possible to obtain a true tempt of court, the coroner verdict." He said to the press:
warned yesterday.

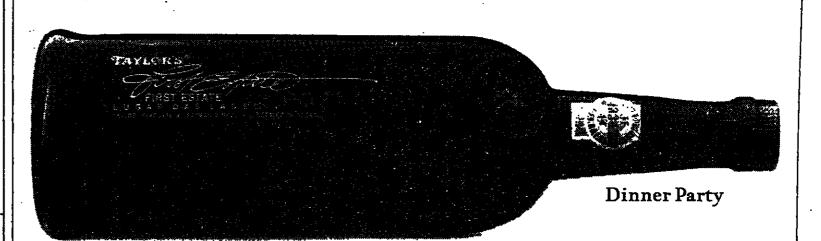
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at the Sheffield hearing; adthis is a coroner's court. You

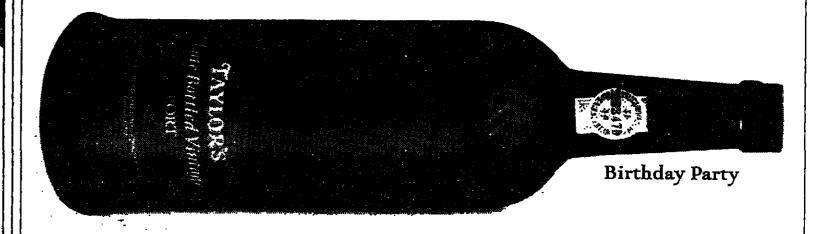
disaster and the scenes of On the second day of the Liverpool fans being crushed inquest on the 95 victims of on the terraces. Dr Popper Wednesday Football Club and

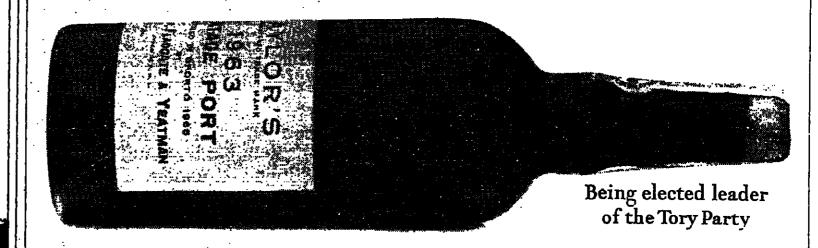
> Some of the relatives were visibly upset as they watched the film and a number left the court. Later film showed supporters struggling to free themselves from piles of

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By ANDREW MCEWEN DIPLOMATICEDITOR

FELIPE González, prime

minister of Spain, yesterday

increased pressure on Britain

to hand over sovereignty of

Gibraltar by raising the dis-

He described the colony a an "anachronistic vestige" o

the old order and said Britain and Spain "must solve the conflict of Gibraltar". Senor

González is to make an official visit to Britain next week

and seems likely to press the

Britain shows no sign of giving up the Rock, but Senor González's tactics are bound

to cause London some embarrassment. The aim of the Paris conflicts left over from the

second world war. Gibraltar

does not belong to that cate-gory, but Senor González sought to make a link by

saying that a settlement was essential if there was to be a

"We cannot expect to build

solid order on fragile

foundations," he told the 33 other heads of state and government of the Conference

on Security and Co-operation

A Foreign Office spokes-man said the British position

was well known. "The rights

of the people of Gibraltar to determine their future are

fully guaranteed under the

González: his tactics will

1969 constitution," he said. The British and Spanish

foreign ministers meet once a

year to discuss their dif-

ferences under an agreement made at Brussels in 1984. "Britain is fully committed to

the process of bilateral dis-

process," the spokesman said.

new era of peace.

in Europe (CSCE).

case with the government.

pute at the Paris summit.

EUROPEAN SECURITY SUMMIT

Kohl says reunited Germany will give EC sovereignty role

Kohl, the German chancellor, told the Paris security summit yesterday that a united Gerits regained sovereignty to the open to the new democracies. European Community. He He emphasised that Gersaid the community was a vital component of the stable

Europe (CSCE). The chancellor told fellow leaders on their second day of here as strong affirmation of mear from German unification, one of the issues prompting the summit's convening.

"Conscious of German bis."

"Conscious of German bis." Conscious of German history and the resultant moral political responsibility, the united Germany will be a cornerstone of the peaceful

was based on the strengthen-ing and evolution of the EC,

IN AN implied rebuke to based Council of Europe. He sovereignty would be ir-Margaret Thatcher, Helmut said the EC must become an retrievably lost in imple economic and monetary union and also a political union, and be the nucleus of a many would transfer much of pan-European economic area

many regarded its frontiers as final. Only peace would emaand united Europe to which the leaders of 34 European and North American nations are committing themselves at the summit Conference on the basis of ran-European can be basis of ran-European can be basis of ran-European Security and Co-operation in on the basis of pan-European responsibility and solidarity."

Herr Kohl's speech was seen partly to reassure EC partners, especially France, that Germany would not retreat from its community commitments.

His promise to transfer key European order," he said. elements of German sov-This order, he made clear, ereignty to Brussels was seen as a riposte to the arguments of sceptics, especially in the CSCE and the Strasbourg- Britain, who feared national

ing monetary union and closer political integration.

Herr Kohl, whose central presence at the summit was underlined by his chairing of the first full session on Monday, thanked all 33 other leaders for their support for unification. Without the CSCE process it would not have been possible to achieve this peacefuly, he said,

He also announced that he cratic obstacles.

In separate talks, he also urged Mrs Thatcher and Brian Mulroney, the Canadian prime minister, to give emergency humanitarian aid to Moscow. "One must help friends when they are threat-



Arms control: President Bush at full stretch during a break on the second day of the CSCE summit in Paris

Najibullah holds talks with rebels

President Najibullah of Afghanistan, on a previously unannounced visit to Geneva, held unprecedented talks there yesterday with repre-sentatives of some Mujahidin guerrilla groups and those of the former King Zahir Shah (Hazhir Teimourian writes).

While details on the identities of those taking part were scarce, it was confirmed that the talks were aimed at the setting up of a coalition government in Kabul that would leave some of the more milifundamentalist Mujahidin groups out in the

Student deaths

Delhi - Three teenage schoolgirls burned themselves to death in different schools in Jabalpur town in the central Indian state of Madhya Pradesh to protest against the previous government's policy of reserving jobs for low-caste Hindus, the United News of India said. (Reuter)

Boys in ambush

Maputo — A gang of young boys belonging to the rebel Mozambique National Resistance, Renamo, killed two people and injured five in an ambush on a convoy of civilian vehicles in southern Mozambique, the official AIM news agency reported. One survivor described the attackers as "kids" aged between 10 and 12 (AFP)

Crime threats

Tekyo - One in every six leading Japanese companies has received extortion threats from organised crime syndicates known as yakuza, a police report said. A survey of about 3,000 companies conducted by the National Police Agency also showed that about 30 per cent paid up. (Reuter)

way since 1984, but less than it hoped. After years of talking the border between Spain and Gibraltar was fully opened in 1985. Britain and Spain

reached agreement in 1987 that Spain should have access to Gibraltar's airport. When the Gibraltarian government refused, London and Madrid agreed to work together to persuade it. The Gibraltarians are not thought to have changed their attitude since the 1967

referendum, when they voted by 12,138-44 to retain the British link. Promises which Britain made to respect their wishes became less relevant after Franco's death, but have been repeated.

Britain's case is based on the Treaty of Utrecht of 1713, under which Gibraltar was ceded to it in perpetuity. Madrid's reply is that, as Spain is now a democracy, a member of Nato, the EC and the Western European Union, Britain has no need to retain West Europe's only colony.

Warsaw Pact's demise agreed

From Ernest Beck in BUDAPEST

THE six remaining members of the Warsaw Pact have agreed that the military structure of the alliance will be dismantled by mid-1991 and the agreement of the said.

The Moscow-based military command had already virtuely command had already virtuely command that already virtuely command had already virtuely command that already command that already command that alre the organisation will be scrapped by no later than early 1992. Jozsef Antall, the Hungarian prime minister, told the Paris summit

He was speaking the day after Nato and Warsaw Pact members signed a far-reaching agreement cutting con-ventional weapons and pledg-ing friendship between all European nations, a move which he said had dealt a "mortal blow" to the pact's existence and had rendered it

Mr Antall's speech was the first official, high level confirmation that Warsaw Pact members are united in their determination to see the Soviet-dominated military alliance disappear now that democratic governments have been elected in almost all member countries except the Soviet Union_

central Europe are now standing before the task of reforming security policies, and we hope the conditions for the complete dissolution of the Warsaw Pact within the Euro- bilateral agreement

command had already "virtually ceased to function", Mr Antall said. He recalled that Hungary said as early as June that it would no longer participate in pact military manoeuvres or allow joint exercises to take place on its territory, but had remained in the alliance to facilitate preparations for

Gyorgy Keleti, the spokes-man for the Hungarian de-fence ministry, said here yesterday that the July deadline for ending the military command was significant because it coincided with the date of the final withdrawal of Soviet forces from Hungary and Czechoslovakia. He said it would take up to six months

to "liquidate the command". Confirmation of the dismantling of the pact after 45 years as Nato's hostile adversary means that the Soviet Union, which wanted alliance The new democracies of remnants to be transformed into a consultative political organisation, has yielded to demands first voiced by Hungary that it should be dis-carded and replaced with

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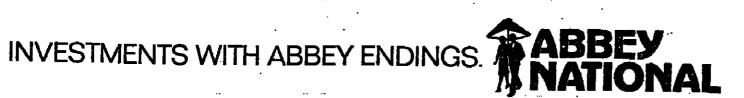
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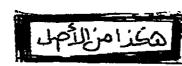
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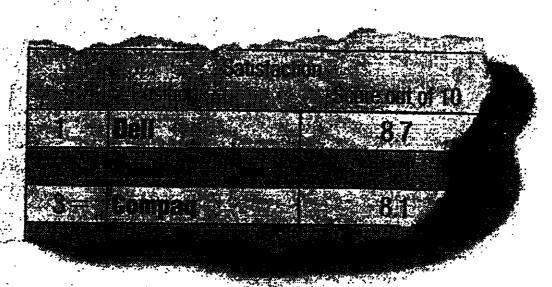


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Doubts over armour and desert isolation sap morale of troops

From Christopher Walker in Dhahran

boredom in a country whose centrepiece of the massive six-customs many despise. Their day exercise, "Operation Imenthusiasm for war is fuelled not so much by the cause as by a desire to get home as quickly

But such is the organisation that has gone into the trip — and the might of the public relations machine surrounding it - that American journalists are uncertain how much of the discontent the president will be allowed to

In addition to disillusionment with conditions in a country where the military stand-off cannot be relieved Blunder by pleasures such as beer or men's magazines, there have also been growing doubts some American military

An American-made tele-vision film which shocked officers who watched it here this week raised serious questions about the operational effectiveness of the Apache helicopter, listing a catalogue

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Richard Scarry's Best ABC

Richard

day exercise, "Operation Imminent Thunder," had been scrapped because - after two craft were unable to make the December 25 and March 25 much-vaunted amphibious

American military planners to that the war widely predicted step up psychological pressure on Iraq, backfired because account had not been taken of high winds and heavy seas on the Gulf coast at this time of year. The operation was renamed by American journal-ists as "Operation Imminent

Other elements of the multinational force have also had ing breakdowns of the Britishbuilt Challenger tank, but none have been on the scale of those which have affected the Americans. The large military public relations team has tried to persuade some news organisations that reporting of "familiarisation difficulties" would only serve to boost

Less effort is devoted to

WHEN President Bush visits military hardware. Soon after them. Observers who have American forces in Saudi the film was shown to a been in Saudi Arabia since Arabia tomorrow he will be dismayed audience in the early August say it has worsamong troops whose morale is American-dominated press ened as the prospect of im-being eroded by numbing centre, news emerged that the mediate attack on Kuwait or

> Despite resolute denials by President Saddam's offer to release all hostages between will affect America's willingness to strike, many servicemen feel it is now less likely for January or February will

> "Doubt about the date of a US strike has been compounded with nagging doubts about why the troops are actually here in the desert," a senior American correspondent said. "Some of them are beginning to worry that volved in what amounts to an inter-Arab tribal squabble and others want Bush to lay on the line why they are here."

The correspondent, one of

those given close access to US forces in the field, said that among them there was still a large element eager for an put it succinctly this week," he added. "He said: "Why don't which is supposed to provide trying to disguise the mood of we just bomb the whole the backbone of the American the American troops, which is Middle East into a parking lot ability to knock out Iraqi obvious to anyone who meets and get the hell back home?"



Captive audience: a Hezbollah fighter guarding rival Amal militiamen who are to be part of a prisoner exchange

Iraq to execute hoarders of grain

IRAQ introduced the death penalty yesterday for people convicted of hoarding cereals, belying its recent boasts that it had stockpiled enough food to beat sanctions for months.

The Iraqi parliament said the new law was needed to deter greed when the country economic embargo" and voted to give the government a monopoly on the sale and storage of wheat, barley, rice and maize. Farmers were told they could keep 500 kilograms ing German hostages should did not say whether the esti-

By MICHAEL THEODOULOU IN NECOSIA AND OUR FOREIGN STAFF (1.100 lb) of wheat and 200 be freed in response to calls by kilograms of rice for their own Chancellor Helmut Kohl for a use, but must hand the rest peaceful solution to over to the government within confrontation in the Gulf.

cut by a third and wheat alliance against Baghdad and allowances reduced. The new measure came a day after Iraq announced it would send another 250,000 troops to Kuwait in response to the Yesterday President Sad-

two weeks of the harvest.

dam Hussein said all remain-

The move was seen as Last week rice rations were another attempt to divide the to upstage the Paris conference on European security and co-operation where President Bush and his Secretary of State, James Baker, have been lobbying for a United Nations resolution authorising the use of force to free Kuwait. Iraq

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mated 280 Germans would be allowed to return home immediately or would have to wait until Christmas, when Baghdad has promised it will begin to free all foreigners. Earlier this month Willy

Brandt, the Social Democrat and former West German chancellor, won the release of some 180 foreigners, mostly Germans, when he visited Baghdad and emphasised the need for a peaceful solution. On Sunday Herr Kohl called for a negotiated settlement to force Iraq out of Kuwait. "My urgent advice is that we exhaust all ways to negotiate

that can be exhausted." Plans for an Arab solution to the Gulf confrontation dragged on when Morocco's King Hassan, who called for an emergency summit of the Arab League 10 days ago, suggested on Monday that it need not at first involve all members. Those most closely involved in the confrontation should meet first to prepare

the ground, he suggested. His first call was rejected by the key Arab members of the anti-Baghdad alliance afterlrag said it would attend only if the Palestinian question was high on the agenda and foreign

BONN: The news that the country's main political parties, who promptly tried to claim the credit. A general election is to be held in less |

The Christian Democrats said President Saddam had been prompted by Herr Kohl's peace efforts, while the opposition Social Democrats said:

hint of will fig save th force in Beirut

By Juan Carlos gumucio

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FACING revamped challenges to its strategy in Lebanon, Syria yesterday reiterated its commitment to help President Hrawi extend his authority throughout the country and hinted that force could soon become necessary to evict the strongest Christian

militia from Beirut Although principally aimed at Samir Geagea, the chief of the Christian Lebanese Forces militia, the signals from Damascus also reflected anxiety over Israel's determination to remain entrenched The reaffirmation of Syrian

support came at surprise talks

between President Assad and the Lebanese leader in Damascus on Monday, hours after Mr Geagea refused to surrenarmy operations in the south A Syrian spokesman told reporters that President Assad maintains his decision to help brotherly Lebanon on its march to regain normal life", but the official Al-Thawra newspaper was more reminiscent of President Astroops defeated him last month, the newspaper said that "any justifications given

to delay the Greater Beirut plan are strongly rejected." President Hrawi had not ruled out military action against Mr Geagea's 10,000-strong militia, and that government officials were advising Mr Geagea not to provoke Syria. The militia chief yesterday

rut" is the first and most significant test for the Arab cords ratified by the Lebanese parliament last year. Because of Syria's involvement in Lebanon, the plan is also crucial for President Assad's

credibility in the region. The plan, which has been litias, calls for a reunified Beirut under the control of the Lebanese army as a preliminary to a reconciliation process and the adoption of political reforms to end the ed system. Mr Geagea insists on "guarantees" that pro-Syrian forces will not fill the vacuum once the Lebanese Forces are redeployed from east Beirut to positions along the coast and the mountains

Israel fears for border security

From Richard Owen in Jerusalem

ian radical groups.

Syria's growing grip on Lebanese affairs and its back-

ing for efforts by the Lebanese government of President

Hrawi to extend its authority

are assumed by Israel to have

the tacit approval of the United States. In its view, Damascus is being given a free

THERE was mounting con- southward exodus of Shia cern in Jerusalem over Israel's Muslim militias and Palestinresterday after the death of an Israeli army officer in southern Lebanon, the first such death for nearly a year.

Israeli officials said the situation in Lebanon and Jordan was giving "cause for concern" and increased pressure on Israeli border forces from armed Arab groups was directly attributable to the shake-up caused by Iraq's invasion of Kuwait. Diplomats say this in turn is increasing Israeli impatience

against Iraq by US-led forces.
Israeli officials called on King Husain to restore an and accused him of "whipping up agitation" by alleging that Israel was planning an act of aggression against Jordan and wanted to destroy Islamic

holy sites in Jerusalem. An Israeli army spokesman said a lieutenant had been killed during a clash in south-ern Lebanon with Arab gunmen from the Syrian-backed Palestinian Popular Struggle Front. At least four of the Arabs were also killed. Signifiplace four miles north of the security zone imposed by Israel five years ago as a buffer against armed attacks on its

northern border. Israeti officials have recently emphasised the need to draw a red line" and stop infiltration attempts before they even reach the nine-mile deep zone. An official said the security zone was "very far from being the main obstacle

to peace in Lebanon". Israel would only withdraw its forces and abandon the zone when there was a responsible government" in Lebanon with whom to negotiate a binding settlement We have seen too many

pacification plans in Lebanon come and go," he said.

pose a settlement in Lebanon and reunify Beirut mean a

hand as a reward for its participation in the anti-Iraq Israel has mounted several MTV beco



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ound and air force raids beyond its security zone in the past few weeks in an attempt destroy the Hezbollah positions established in southem Lebanon.

Israeli sources said it was also strengthening its defences along the Jordan river following recent successful infiltrations by Arab extremists in which two Israeli soldiers were killed. Officials said the infiltrations pointed to a loss of control by King Husain.

Yitzhak Shamir, the prime minister, said the king was being subjected to "a wave of fanatical nationalist and Is-

Jordan fears that, in the chaos of a war with Iraq Israel could expel Palestinians from the West Bank into Jordan, Israeli kaders are concerned that Syria's attempts to imsent for instance in Lebanon are Nahing and training social training social into a de jacto settle West Bank towns such as Nahing and training social into a de jacto settle West Bank towns such as Nahing and training settle was such as Nahing and training settle was such as the settle wa making Jordan into a de facto as Nablus and Hebron with



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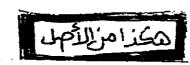




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Leningrad begs for food from West to avert famine

From NICK WORRALL IN MOSCOW

ter since the second world war, Union. But officials in Brus-Leningrad is to start rationing food within a fortnight. The mayor, Anatoli Sobchak, has tem is so bad that the food appealed to the West to send might not reach remote areas urgent food aid for the city's that most need it. No request five million people, who face has been received from Mos-Severe shortages.
From December 1 each

citizen will receive ration people of Leningrad will soon coupons for 13lb of food, receive the first food parcels including 2½ lb of meat, 2 lb of from residents of the German sausage. I lb of butter, 10 eggs, port of Hamburg where funds 4lb of sugar and 2lb of pasta - are also being collected for

"We have no choice but to try to control the food situation and ensure everybody gets a basic ration," said Konstantin Mitchin, deputy chairman of a special Leningrad committee set up to deal with the impending food

died of starvation during the German blockade from 1941 shoppers besieged food stores.

to 1944. In recent weeks, On Sunday leading Leninto 1944. In recent weeks, notices have been posted in the city calling on the "blockade spirit" to help to overcome a winter predicted to be harsh and beset by shortages.

The commission was set up amid concern about the growth of barter deals by suppliers in the Soviet subsidies so students could Union's outer republics who refuse to supply the crumbling central Soviet planning and distribution system. Moscow's city council is planning a similar move. The Ukraine on the private open market.

introduced rationing. Mr Sobchak said emergency vent famine and also to back to the way things were ment will neutralise their under Brezhnev - at least then power (Robert Seely writes). there was food in the stores','

chancellor, is to send a high-level team to the Soviet Union dent MPs. One despondent next week to assess the country's needs and decide on ways dyn Boyko summed up thus to send urgent food aid.

have been held in Berlin for cratic forces in our ironically, of a Soviet block-ade similar to that of 1948-1949 which was overcome by the Berlin airlift. In 200,000 missions over 10 months, Allied pilots flew in 1.5 million tons of food. Since then, West Berlin has stored food reserves which today amount to 350,000 tonnes of frozen and tinned meat, rice, wheat, dried vegetables and sugar.

The European Community also has stockpiles of food that

GERMAN voters now know

that taxes will increase, no

choose in next month's elec-

tions. Helmut Kohl, the chan-

cellor, in a sign that he is

confident of victory, has said publicly that he intends rais-ing extra revenue. But what

the extra money is for remains

The Bundestag meets in a

special session tomorrow to debate the issue, with the opposition Social Democrats

(SPD) making what looks like

a despairing effort to force the

coalition government to admit it got its sums wrong over

unification.

The SPD is able to mount

the attack because Hear Kohl,

who has promised all along that unification would not add

a pfennig to revenue needs, said clearly for the first time at the weekend that "one way or

another German citizens

must expect to pay more during the lifetime of the next

parliament. Extra money

would be raised, he said, by

taxing the use of energy to

encourage cuts in carbon di-

oxide emissions and so help

Oskar Lafontaine, his SPD

challenger, who has always

said that unification would

inevitably force up taxes, has

fication would cost nothing.

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matter which party

FACED with its bleakest win- could be sent to the Soviet cow for emergency food aid. In the meantime, the needy

medicines. Bremen and Dres-den are reported to be preparing their own help schemes. Leningrad's rationing scheme will not be an easy solution. There are worries that not enough food will be found to guarantee minimum supplies, and that Leningrad will suffer a repeat of the The most bitter memory of debacle in the Ukraine last Leningrad's older citizens is month. For three days behow hundreds of thousands tween the announcement and the launch of the scheme,

> grad academics appealed for help for the city's 300,000 students, described as "the lowest-paid people in the city, living below the poverty line", whose grants do not exceed 60 roubles (£60) a month. City leaders were asked to allow meet extra food costs.

As in the Ukraine, prices are likely to rise steeply because many suppliers will avoid state shops and sell their food and Armenia have already • KIEV: The Communist majority in the Ukraine parliament yesterday forced food aid was needed to pre- through an amendment designed to take back the sweepprevent public opinion from ing powers the party had turning against democratic re-enjoyed until last spring's forms. "Already a lot of elections. Democratic MPs people are saying Let's go now fear that the new amend-

The republic's president, Leonid Kravchuk, pushed In another development, through the change amid up-Helmut Kohl, the German roar and accusations of cheating made by many indepenmember of parliament, Voasend urgent food aid. yesterday's proceedings: "To-Hoge reserve stocks of food day was the finish of demoparliament. We can no longer France has decided, not for do anything — we are merely guests here."

Another leading radical deputy, Yuri Zbitnev, said:
"This was an attack by reactionary forces. Their aim was to suppress the opposition and to hold on to power for as long as possible. We are like hostages on a political plane that has been hijacked by the

Nuclear blackmail, page 14 effacing presence may suggest,

German voters unable

to escape tax increases

From Ian Murray in bonn

restructuring in the east, avoiding the need for unpopu-

Even with these proposed

savings, the expected public

sector deficit will probably

reach DM 150 billion next year, about 5 per cent of the gross national product, forcing

up public borrowing to an unprecedented DM 70 billion,

DM 3 billion more than this

year's record government

lar tax increases.



Feet first: Bucharest shoppers scuffle in a queue to buy shoes, now in short supply in the Romanian capital

Rocard survives by a whisker to fight again

From Philip Jacobson in Paris

AFTER Michel Rocard had and two and a half years under fought off yet another no-M Mitterrand have taught confidence motion against him a thing or two about self-France's Socialist government preservation. His mid-term by a meagre five votes late standing in the opinion polls Monday night, a photographer snapped him smiling broadly remains unusually high, occasionally surpassing the popularity of the president, and he has more political among a crowd of relieved A combination of political options than may first appear.

Most observers agree that the contest for the presidential done the trick, leaving the present manoeuvring, and financial reform of France's that M Rocard has already will conservative opposition and that M Mitterrand is still social welfare system — long done enough to mark him weighing as heavil that the backing Laurent Fabius, the overdue and intended to down as presidential timber: shoulders as before.

bis claim. Before Monday's vote,

former prime minister. Unless spread the tax burden more others argue that he should Socialists' front-runners when M Mitterrand steps down in 1995 (or possibly earlier) and every move he makes until then is designed to strengthen schools, promise to make life

Rocard faithfuls were arguing that being forced out of office

things go seriously wrong, M equitably - would hardly plough on, whatever the prob-Rocard will be among the damage his credibility. At the lems, if only to convince the same time, the threat of an economic downturn, plus a stuff. murky scandal involving funding of the last Mitterrand election campaign and continuing turbulence in the high

Socialists.

increasingly difficult for the

electorate that he has the right In the view of the left-wing

daily Liberation, beating off the latest censure motion cannot be taken as a rousing vote of confidence in M Rocard: it may have bought him a little breathing space, but the fun-damental problems facing France today will soon be weighing as heavily on his

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Romania rally backs premier

From Tim Judah IN BUCHAREST

TWENTY thousand Romanians demonstrated their sunport for the ruling National Salvation Front yesterday at a rally in Bucharest's Aviator Square. They chanted: "We work, we fight and with the front we're right."

They gave an ecstatic reception to the movement's leader, Petre Roman, the prime minister. The relatively small turnout contrasted with the more than 100,000 anti-government demonstrators on the streets last Thursday.

Addressing the rally, Mr Roman admitted that his government, elected six months ago, had made many mistakes. In what appeared to be a significant shift of emphasis, he said: "We have still not succeeded in bringing to jus-tice top communists, police-men and Securitate who were responsible for all those years

of dictatorship."
The crowds booed as mother speaker asked them what they thought of Romania's new neo-communist party, the Socialist Party of Labour, whose birth has given the front a chance to distance itself from communism. Cheerleaders began the chant of "Down with communism" a cry hitherto associated with anti-front demonstrations.

Yesterday's rally appeared to be the first attempt by the front to revive its flagging popularity, hard hit by recent price rises. It is preparing for a convention in January where, said Claudiu lordache, its vice-president, it would change from a broad-based movement into a "social democratic centre-left party".

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Lafontaine: branded the green tax" as a lie unity therefore has to

described the chancellor's avoided," he says.

The budget will not be "green tax" as a lie. The money would be needed to completed until after the elecupgrade the economy in easttion, however, making it ern Germany, he said, and Herr Kohl's admission that impossible for Herr Lafontaine's SPD to prove his claim taxes will go up destroys the "myth" he created that unithat figures are being massaged to hide tax increases. Even so, it is clear that total The government has acgovernment spending will be around DM 400 billion, an knowledged that unification is proving more expensive than expected. Theo Waigel, the unprecedented high. Nearly a third of the total will be spent in the former East Germany, announced plans to save DM 35 billion (£12.06 billion) equivalent to about £2,000 a head for every man, woman from public spending on items and child there. like desence and administra-

Herr Lafontaine, whose en-Herr Kohl began preparing mental credentials.

then be available to pay for the way for possible new taxes about a mouth ago by refusing to rule out the possibility that they might be introduced "because of the Gulf confrontation". With consummate

skill, he is now switching the argument away from the divisive unification question to the popular German theme of protecting the environment.

The cabinet agreed earlier this month, as a comribution to reducing global warming, to work for a 25 per cent reduction by 2005 in carbon dioxide

arm-twisting and the prime

minister's effective speech to

ble about what went wrong.

But while the right and the

far left emerge from this latest

tussle in even worse shape than before, M Rocard's long-

term survival remains a matter for speculation. In the run-

up to the vote, tabled over national health contribution

increases, President Mitter-

rand left the distinct im-pression that he would not

lose much sleep over the fate of his prime minister, for all M

Rocard's brave words about unswerving support from the

The feeling persists that the

most astute politician in

himself from a government passing through a period of

growing unpopularity. The dexterity with which M Mitterrand transfers the

blame for Socialist policies the

nation dislikes to M Rocard's

office shows evidence of Le

But M Rocard is made of

ltogether tougher stuff than

his inoffensive, almost self-

Florentine at work.

Elysée Palace.

Herr Waigel insists it is better to increase borrowing emissions and backed taxthan to put up taxes. "Tax ation as an important way of achieving this target.
Klaus Töpfer, the environincreases poison growth. A tax increase to finance the costs of ment minister, favours a sys-tem which will increase the tax

also called on the automobile industry to develop private cars using at least 30 per cent Apart from using taxation as a means of "persuasion"

the government wants more money available to spend on research into renewable energy systems, such as wind and water power, which cur-rently provides just 2.6 per cent of Germany's energy needs. Assuming the government wins the election, detailed legislation on the new programme will be brought in next autumn after inter-ministerial working parties have had time to draft the necessary

tire electoral programme has been designed around the creation of an environmentally friendly and socially responsible economy, is thus being outflanked by Herr Kohl in the one issue where he might have felt to be in the lead. The SPD is now taking full-page advertisments in popular newspapers, such as Bild, to press its environ-

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MYAILAINE FROM ALXONS AND SELECTED OUTLETS FROM OVER 3,000 REGISTERED BEALERS

From anarchy to blackmail

Conor Cruise O'Brien

he Paris summit has taken place amid an orgy of makebelieve. All those attending have acted out an agreed fable, according to which the Soviet Union is still a coherent political entity for which Mr Gorbachev can speak with authority and the future political conduct of which he can guarantee. On the basis of these assumptions, the communiqué announced "a new era of friendship and cooperation between East and West".

The nearest thing to a note of realism was struck by Douglas Hurd, when he referred to "a threat of anarchy" in the Soviet Union. Anarchy, unfortunately, is more than a threat, it is the present condition of what once was the Soviet Union. As far as Russia is concerned, the condition is succinctly described by a Russian commentator. "Anarchy is when you have a president, a Supreme Soviet, a republican parliament, a city soviet, and a Communist party apparatus, all distrusting each other and issuing decrees that nobody respects."

That is the condition of the Russian Federation. In the 14 other republics, conditions are similar, in some cases approaching civil war. The dissolution of the Soviet Union into 15 sovereign states has been held up only because most of the republics are also on the verge of dissolution.

To stop the rot, or rather to be seen to be trying to stop it, Mr Gorbachev announced on Saturday a series of measures, at the core of which is the assumption of personal executive power by himself as president. But for months. no one has been paying attention to Soviet law. Can it be otherwise with decrees from Mr Gorbachev?

Presidential decrees might not be ignored if they could quickly put goods into the shops, but we may assume that if he knew any method of doing that, he would have done so already. As it is, the shortages are turning to famine. In a poll conducted by Moscow News, 62 per cent of respondents in 21 cities feared a famine in the next few months. Mr Gorbachev's assumption of supreme power is a response to this desperate situation, the result of months of anarchy, following the failure of the command economy.

Many other countries are undergoing the horrors of anarchy, but the Soviet Union is unique, for there anarchy is swirling around a tremendous concentration of nu-clear weaponry. Out of today's anarchic conditions, new power formations will emerge. Are they likely to be more aggressive than the present Soviet leadership? If so, to what purpose might they apply their control of the fearsome force at their disposal?

These unseemly questions obviously could not break the decorous surface of the Paris summit. After the signature of the treaty on conventional forces in Europe, the Soviet chief negotiator, Oleg

Grinevsky, announced: "With this treaty the Soviet Union is ceasing to be a military power." True, for the Soviet Union is ceasing to be any kind of power at all, but the military capacity remains.

It has been generally assumed that the death of communism as an aggressive revolutionary ideology means the end of any Soviet military threat. That is not a safe assumption. We shall not know about that until the present phase of anarchy is over until new power structures have emerged capable of exercising effective authority in the sphere of the nuclear weaponry, and until we know in what spirit this authority will be exercised.

The new rulers will perhaps show themselves as conciliatory and pacifist as Mr Gorbachev. We must all hope so. But I fear the odds are against this. Competition for power under conditions of anarchy is a kind of accelerated natural selection within the pol-itical order. The winners are likely to be tough people, willing to rule by fear, in accordance with Russian tradition. They will have an authoritarian ideology, appro-priate to their character and situation. We shall be lucky if the new regime is not more dangerous than post-Stalin communism was.

than post-Stalin communism was.

The new rulers will want to fill the shops as quickly as they can. Among their few "assets" are those nuclear weapons. Could those assets, and the fear they inspire in neighbouring nations, be used to fill the shops? Nuclear blackmail will certainly be among the possibilities considered by the type of new ruler likely to emerge. Germany is the most likely primary target of blackmail. It has already paid Moscow a considerable sum for reunification. Nobody can yet see what forms the interaction between the new Germany and the new Russia will take, but it would be foolish to deny that there are some un-pleasant possibilities. That nice Mr Gorbachev will not be around

This train of thought suggests that Mrs Thatcher's political instincts are right when she resists proposals tending towards a federal Europe. We would be wise not to rush anything until we have a better idea of which way Russia is going. The enormous questionmark over the future of Russia puts a smaller, but still sizeable. question-mark over Germany too. An integrated European Community presided over (in effect) by Chancellor Kohl is one thing; an integrated Europe dominated by a Germany under pressure from the East might be more constricting,

much longer, and that nice Mr Kohl may not long survive him.

to put it mildly. Whatever happens next week, history. She has made mistakes. the biggest being the poll tax, but I believe that history will vindicate her cautious approach to European unity.

...and moreover

CRAIG BROWN

ury St Edmunds is the most reassuring of towns.
It is not a place where fashions come and go; they come, find themselves a quiet nook, and settle.

in the rest of the country, the hippies of 1968 have gone underground, or rather overground. Their beards have been shaved, their T-shirts have grown collars: even their flares have gone straight. In sensible jobs now, their attendance on the alternative society is restricted to the occasional purchase of a Picador paperback.

But in Bury St Edmunds, you can still catch sight of unreconstructed hippies - beads, moccasins and joss-sticks at the ready - still mooching through "The Doors of Perception" and Kahlil Gibran. Those consoiracy theorists who believe that Jim Morrison never died may find it worth checking the place out: any entrepreneur wishing to print some "Jim Morrison Lives in Bury St Edmunds" Tshirts could well find he has hit the nail on the head. In Andy's Records in St John's Street, where the hippy preference for Christian names still holds firm. you will find Morrison records listed under "J" for Jim, just as

Wagner is listed under "R".
Fashions that could be bothered to hang around Cheisea only for a matter of months find Bury St Edmunds a refuge from the fickleness of time. Here, Tories still wear tweeds, bikers still wear leathers and marketstall holders still speak gibberish. Wither the winklepicker, the bowler hat, the hipster, the platform heel? What of kipper ties, cravats, Lurex socks, plusfours? And, most important of all, whatever became of slacks? You will find each of them somewhere on the streets of Bury St Edmunds. I wouldn't be at all surprised to find them all attached to the same person,

rubbing along together merrily. On Monday, my wife was admitted to the maternity wing of the hospital at Bury St Edmunds. She is expecting a baby in a matter of days, and they are keen to monitor her blood pressure. Our first child was born there just over two years ago. I can think of few

cheerier, more friendly places in

which to enter the world. Nevertheless, one enters a new ward with a certain apprehension, and a dread kindled by memories of going back to the prep-school dormitory: this is your bed, this is your locker, this is the board on which to stick your photos from home.

When we were first shown to my wife's bed in the corner of the ward, I couldn't resist a snoop at the photos on the board of the bed next to hers. There were three photos: a punk emerging from a caravan, the same punk, this time with a ferret hanging around his neck, and a large dog, probably an Alsatian, glaring into the middle distance. Even the most avantgarde of my fellow inmates at prep-school was unable to sport family photographs of such

As my wife tried to get herself comfortable, the occupant of the next bed arrived back, hand in hand with the punk. As is de rigueur for Bury St Edmunds. he was a true punk, not a revitalised or a reconstructed punk, not even a nostalgic punk, but an original 1977 punk with a mobican baircut and bright red tartan trousers replete with chains, as innocent of archness and as redolent of a bygone age as the most redoubt-

able Chelsea Pensioner. There had, it emerged, been a bit of trouble, and the punk was asked to report to an administrator. It seemed that, dogs being barred from the wards he had left his Alsatian tied to a post just outside the hospital and someone had ventured rather too close. Whether that person had been bitten or merely been snapped at seemed a moot point; either way, he was creating a fuss.

Somewhat to my surprise, the whole ward sided with the punk and his Alsatian: "Silly to have come close - deserves everything he got - some people make a fuss about anything." was the general verdict. In Bury St Edmunds, just as punks are expected to be punks and hippies are expected to be hippies, so Alsatians are fully expected to be Aisatians. Nevertheless, I think I detected a twinge of worry about the exact whereabouts of the ferrer.

Ronald Butt urges Mrs Thatcher to clear the way for Hurd or Major

She is wrong to fight on

denied her outright victory and forced to a second ballot Although she has a clear lead over Mr Heseltine in absolute terms, she has not, in the tortured leadership election procedure the Tories have inflicted on themselves, secured the required 15 per cent margin of the total number of votes cast. She has immediately and unequivocally declared that she will fight on. She has to be admired as a

fighter who is particularly loath to cede the ground to this particular challenger. But the question she and others have to answer is whether Mr Heseltine is more likely to be prevented from taking over (with all the consequences for European policy she most fears) if she tries to fight on or whether it would now be better for her to go and let another carry her banner. A deplorable humiliation has been inflicted on a prime minister

of outstanding achievement, and the Conservatives are likely to regret it. They have good cause for shame at the cavalier way in which a contest has been engineered so dangerously close to the coming general election when there is no clearly formulated issue on which the rival candidates stake their claims. If they succeed in driving Mrs Thatcher to the backbenches, Mr Heseltine and his backers have created a force for new dissent that may well divide the Tories disastrously in the event of an in-continent rush to European economic union which threatens political union as well.

In all this, it is Mr Heseltine and his friends who have been the divisive influence, using rules of contest which were invented for the party in opposition and which should be changed.

The only position that makes ense under our constitution is that the prime minister must be able to form and maintain a cabinet acceptable to his or her party and it is the cabinet as a whole that is responsible to the House of Commons. The cabinet has remained loyal to Mrs Thatcher throughout this crisis. If she was to be called to account, they, who continue to support her, should have been called to account as well. This is a crisis that should never have happened.

happened, and Mrs Thatcher has been able to command the positive support of little more than half her backbenchers. The rest would prefer someone else but not all of them want Mr Heseltine. Ouite apart from the abstainers, a number of Mr Heseltine's supporters yesterday seem likely to have voted for him simply to smoke out their preferred candidate in the second round. Some of Mrs Thatcher's supporters also can be assumed to wish that she had stood down before this, even though they were rightly disgusted by the manner of the challenge.

What the Conservative party now needs is healing and settling, and this will not be achieved by Mrs Thatcher's participation in a second ballot that at best promises a victory which may only be marginal if she were, after all, to stand aside she would not only avoid the possible humilation of defeat. She would also be able to release Douglas Hurd and John Major from their undertaking not to stand against her, to which presumably they will otherwise be honour bound to adhere. With her support, however, either could garner more votes against Mr Heseltine than Mrs Thatcher could. Political logic therefore now suggests that Mrs Thatcher should free them from their commitment to her.

In the the second round she seems unlikely to achieve a major-ity large enough for her to be able to claim the full-hearted support of her party in Parliament. Before a substantial majority among Tory activists, but among Tory voters and potential voters it is clear that she arouses a deep-rooted antipathy. She is blamed not only (and not unjustly since it was she who insisted on it) for the poll tax, but also for the unsatisfactory con-dition of public services and for what has gone wrong with the

On the last of these she herself has admitted that she erred in failing to tighten the lax financial policy pursued by Nigel Lawson in 1988. But, instead of confronting him in cabinet to get an agreed policy, she purveyed criticisms of his policy informally through the media, seriously damaging finan-



cial confidence in the government's policy.

This was only one instance of her tendency to go it alone in her relations to the cabinet and in the formation of policy. The last and most damaging was the episode which precipitated Sir Geoffrey Howe's resignation and provided the pretext for Mr Heseltine's

All this has been the con-sequence of her failure at manmanagement. Nicholas Ridley was right to liken the challenge to her to a medieval palace revolution. But such revolutions almost invariably happened when a king failed to consult men who considered themselves his natural counsellors (equivalent to the cabinet today), preferring instead the Bushys, Bagots and Greens who, though not always negligible figures had only the status of personal adherents and disciples. Mrs Thatcher's period as prime minister has not been free of this fault. It really does matter that in a cabinet all should say (and mean) the same thing.

ven if Mrs Thatcher wins the second ballot it seems inconceivable that she could heal the wounds that have been inflicted on the party. Nor is it likely that she could express British policy for Europe in terms that promote rather than frustrate the ends of British national parliamentary accountability which is so close to her heart. In domestic policy, is it believable that she could bring herself to acknowledge that the poll tax requires much more radical change than any so far contemplated? Above all, could she be brought to see that consensus is not (as she thinks) a cloak to cover lack of agreement but a way of securing policy on which coherent action is possible?

She draws an analogy with religious leaders' avoidance of reigious leaders avoidance or consensus, but the religious absolutes by which St Paul denounced the immorality of the Corinthians are irrelevant to the pragmatic processes by which politicians have to try to reconcile their disagreement over ways and

means, as distinct from principles.

The logic of the situation is therefore clear. She should think again and let the Conservatives find a new leader to take them forward to the general election, one who can guard the democratic and parliamentary national ac-countability which she has set herself to guard in the dev-elopment of the European Community. She is in a strong position to influence the choice of that

On the backbenches she would be the much needed champion of this cause whom the government would have to take into account in its policy-making on Europe. If she insists on standing, then Mr Hurd and Mr Major (even if they feel bound not to stand against her) are entitled to tell her they no longer feel able to serve with her. That would be a grave decision, but it could come to that.

If, after all, she were to stand aside with dignity now, sparing the party more fighting that will tear it apart, this would not be the least of the many services she has done

Tsars of the arts face a peasant revolt

ho runs the arts in Britain? Much the same crowd that ran the arts 12 years ago, before Mrs Thatcher came to power: the same cosy cultural taste since 1945.

The Arts Council, a selfperpetuating oligarchy, decides how to carve up £200 million of public subsidy. Fewer than 50 television producers and a handful of high-profile presenters control the arts diet of the armchair audience. A similar-sized clite of record company executives shapes. the listening, viewing and spending habits of a vast, passive army of youthful consumers that lacks gumption to attempt an

adolescent rebellion. This is no conspiracy theory: the paternalistic "we know what is good for you" doctrine of benign liberalism has steered Britain towards a richer post-war cultural life than we probably deserve for the money we pay. Nevertheless, the arts establishment would

benefit from a thorough shake-up. Change, in the Arts, is nearly always good," wrote Gavin Ewart in his satire, A New Poet Arrives. He was being ironic; his poem implies that change in the arts does not matter a damn, because it does not alter the status quo in the "really important things". While

Richard Morrison, arts editor, welcomes the new funding plans that will transfer power from London to the regions

many "really important things" have changed under Mrs Thatcher's government, the arts hierarchy continues to operate within much the same insular groups. In the 1980s, ordinary citizens could buy a voice in the running of British Gas or Telecom; they could have a say in the running of their children's schools. But they never came within a mile of influencing the process which decides that, for instance, the Royal Shakespeare Company should receive the amount it does,

or spend it on the plays it does. In some respects, the govern-ment has been unlucky with the attempts it has made to open up the system. Encouraging business sponsorship of the arts, for instance, should in theory have brought arts organisations into stimulating contact with refreshingly different values. In practice, however, the business world has been so wary of interfering with that mystical concept called artistic freedom that most sponsors never set foot inside the theatre during rehearsals, for fear of compromising the actors' integ-

rity. There is no dialogue, except on the level of "How much money do you want, and how big a programme credit do I get?"

Elsewhere, projects that offer early promise of an alternative culture seem inexorably to be sucked into the mainstream. Perhaps the necessity of improving its ratings led Channel 4 away from its quirky, iconoclastic approach to arts programmes and back into BBC 2-style respectability, or perhaps its commissioning editors became stuck with their once-fresh ideas. Either way, Channel 4 is not the conduit for imaginative cul-

tural programmes that it once was. We should also regret the passing of the "indie" record labels. Each time a gallant minnow such as Island Records is consumed by a whale such as Polygram, consumer choice is diminished. And each time a British film director gives up the demoralising task of raising finance for a production in Britain, and accepts instead the carrots dangled by a Japanese-owned Hollywood, consumer choice is

diminished

Such moves in the commercial world may be regretted, but they are understandable, perhaps inevitable. In the privileged world of arts subsidy, however, there is no excuse for not having greatly diversified opinions reflected in the main decision-making process. What causes the narrowness is fear: the fear that if the controlling élite is widened too

much, crass funding choices will endanger centres of excellence. Now the government is at last bringing a velvet-covered sledgehammer to bear on that allpowerful consensus of taste: a weapon called devolution, which will mean that most decisions are taken not by the Arts Council but by regional arts boards around the country. Predictably enough, some arts organisations are already protesting, but I detect the unpleasant whine of metropolitan snobbishness in this

scaremongering. Yes, there are dangers and unhappy precedents. In the notorious heyday of the Greater London Arts Association what was perceived as the Arts Coun-

that his departure is connected

with the hiring of a succession of

Soviet guest stars, but it is clear

that Broomhead's chances of

dancing lead roles have been

cil's "white middle-class" bias was countered with a Stalinist zeal. Yes, there are local authorities so stingy about money for the arts that they do not deserve represen-But the boards must shame them into parting with the cash.

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Yes, there are councillors who will insist on having the national anthem played at every concert by the orchestra they subsidise (it happened in a south coast resort a few years ago); and yes, there will probably be people sitting on the regional arts boards who have never seen a Monet close up, or heard a lute recital, or watched a single scene of Howard Brenton. The arts will be fought over, and

that is no bad thing. Better this than the furtive behind-closed-doors odour which seeps from the Arts Council when it decides that, for example, one valuable touring opera company should be unceremoniously axed. while others may run up deficits of millions. The most exciting arts mitiatives in Britain today emanate from Glasgow and Birmingham, cities that were cultural jokes ten years ago. Such regeneration shows what those patronised as "local folk" can do. London has been allowed to run with the ball for too long; it is time for other players to demonstrate their flair.

Just too matey with Thatcher

mmediately after the vote was counted last night, Mrs That-cher's campaign manager, George Younger, was flying to Edinburgh to face criticism at a board meeting today of the Royal Bank of Scotland, of which he is chairman, for tying his colours so firmly to her mast.

With support for the government running at scarcely 20 per cent north of the border, Younger's role can hardly have enhanced the bank's public image there. Even more embarrassingly, the bank's stand on European integration is more akin to Michael Heseltine's than Mrs Thatcher's. It displayed its EC solidarity by taking a major shareholding in the Banco Santander of Spain. A spokesman for the Royal Bank of Scotland says: "We would have preferred the leadership election not to have happened, if only for the reason that George Younger would not have been involved."

Although Younger ran Mrs Thatcher's campaign against Sir Anthony Meyer last year, his position then as merely a director of the bank was less sensitive. Subsequently, however, he became deputy chairman in January and then chairman in July. Although it was accepted that he would still perform his constituency and parliamentary duties as MP for Ayr (where he sits on a precarious majority of 182), the bank did not expect him to play a high-profile party political role. In September, during the up-heavals in the Tory party in Scotland, he was asked if he would consider succeeding Michael Forsyth as chairman. He declined. And less than two weeks ago he told journalists he would not run the prime minister's campaign against Heseltine. Mrs Thatcher. however, can be a very persuasive

Perhaps it was knowledge of the music he is about to face in Edinburgh that caused Younger to be so coy yesterday when asked for whom he had voted. "I cannot possibly tell you that," he replied.

• When Mrs Thatcher instructed Peter Morrison, her PPS, to cast her vote by proxy yesterday, just whom did she tell him to vote for? The question is not entirely fa-cetious. In 1971, John Gorton, then Australian prime minister, faced a leadership ballot among his fellow Liberal MPs. Deciding he had become a liability, he voted against himself — and last by just one vote. I had to save the government from possible defeat,' he said by way of explanation.

Part of the job

he favourites have withdrawn from a contest tonight to earn the title of Britain's best bluffers. A team of MPs was set to do battle with teams of financiers, barristers, vicars, ballet dancers and publishers in the first annual Perudo tournament at the Groucho Club in Soho. The traditional dice game from the street corners of Peru in which the winners are those who can carry off the biggest lie seemed a natural for the MPs. many of whom have excelled themselves in recent days by pledging support to the campaign managers of both Margaret Thatcher and Michael Heseltine, so



that if the canvass returns were to be believed, a near-150 per cent turn out would have been

A team from Parliament was duly entered, but it was withdrawn terday. A spokeswoman for the organisers says: "The leadership election has just been too much for them. It's a shame because we thought they had a very good chance." The new favourites are the vicars.

Snow on their pumps

he Russians may have pulled out of Eastern Europe, but they are fast invading that bastion of British culture, the Royal Ballet, Increasingly the spotlight at Covent Garden is falling on Soviet rather than home-grown talent, and the trend seems to have proved too. much for one of the company's principal male dancers, Phillip Broomhead. After the announcement of the departure of senior principal Wayne Eagling to the Dutch National Ballet, Broomhead is leaving for Houston, Texas, after more than a decade with the Royal Opera House

Covent Garden will not confirm

diminished. This summer. Covent Garden trumpeted the arrival of Irek Mukhamedov as a permanent member of the company from the Bolshoi, while on Friday, Alexei Fadevechev will be welcomed to the stage, again borrowed from the Bolshoi.

Going by the book

eorge Carey, soon to be-Come Archbishop of Canterbury, has become one of Britain's most wanted men. Since his appointment was announced in July, he has given interviews to those writing personal profiles but has refused to divulge his thoughts on theology



and the future of the church. "This is not the right moment to ask such questions," says his press officer, the Rev Brian Pearson, "Dr Carey feels that these issues should be addressed to the current

archbishop. He will deal with them only after he is enthroned." In tactics worthy of the royal ratpack, one enterprising journalist got nearer than most of his rivals by hitching a 120-mile lift in Dr Carey's car and leaving his tape recorder running Others scribble fittiously in the pews of parish churches as Carey goes around the country preaching "I suppose it's one way to boost our congregations," says Pearson.

• Mrs Thatcher can enjoy at least one consolation after last night's vote. She can at long last apply for membership of the Conservative club in Michael Heseltine's Henley constituency. The club, one of the two remaining Tory social clubs in England to operate a men-only policy, voted last week to open its doors to women, but only to enjoy a drink or a meal. Women remain banned from both the dart board and the snooker room,

Figure this out

rs Thatcher's stature remains undiminished in America, where rows about Europe find little resonance. In a mock leadership ballot held among Republican party members in Chicago, she scored a resounding 93 per cent of the vote. But, in the true spirit of Chicago politics, the result did not add up. Michael Heseltine scored 16 per cent and Colin Moynihan (don't ask who put his name forward, or how the Chicagoans had come to hear of him) managed 7 per cent. Joseph Morris, the ballot organiser, who held junior office in the Reagan administration, was disappointed by the turn-out, "Well . short of Chicago's customary 130 per cent," he laments.

Senators in defiant fight to save their reputations

From Peter Stothard, us editor, in washington

TO THE pleasure of millions special counsel for the ethics of Americans, who love to see committee. the mighty fall, five of Washington's most powerful poli- in detail how the five had ticians are currently taking a televised trip into the mire.
But the "Keating Five" are from Mr Keating while exerting the scenate ethics committee today in gregulators on his behalf. continues the most complex investigation in its history.

Charles Keating, a financier, aimed high when he chose his friends on Capitol Hill in the early 1980s. Alan Cranston, John Glenn, John McCain, Dennis DeConcini and Donald Riegle, all sen-ators, had between them made two bids for the presidency, endured imprisonment and torture in Vietnam, flown the first American orbit around the Earth and won reputations for excessive smartness in a town where everyone likes to be thought smart.

The five were soon to share another claim to fame, the selling of their high offices to a man involved in the world's largest banking fraud, according to Robert Bennett, the

Burmese winners 'jailed'

Bengkok - Burma's military rulers have jailed two leaders of the opposition party that won May's general elections but has been prevented from taking office, a source said

The source said that a military tribunal had jailed Kyi Maung and Chit Khaing of the National League for Democracy for 10 years. Most of the rest of the party's leadership is also under arrest. (AP)

Child curfew

Atlanta - America's crime capital has imposed the city's strictest curiew since 29 children were murdered in the early 1980s, threatening to jail parents of youngsters caught on the street after hours. (AP)

Blast escape

Athens - Vardis Vardinoyannis, one of the richest men in Greece, narrowly escaped death in a car bomb explosion when bad timing of the remote control mechanism triggered the explosion of two rockets moments after his specially reinforced limousine passed a parked vehicle.

Teachers out

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Cairo - Sudan has ended the contracts of British teachers, saving that English was no longer a basic language in the country, Egypt's national news agency, MENA, said. The agency quoted the education minister as saying Sudan would review the use of English. (Reuter)

anniversary next year, hoping to help pay for the celebrations. (Reuter)

Mr Bennett last week set out

Eventual reimbursement of federally insured depositors in Mr Keating's collapsed Lin-Mr Keating's collapsed Lincoln Savings and Loan Company cost the taxpayer some \$2 billion, one of the highest single losses in America's \$500 billion S & L scandal. The popular opinion, according Howell Heffin, the ethics Committee characters in the committee chairman, is that the senators were bribed to try to save the company.

Mr Bennett drew on volumes of Senate lore and custom to show it was their duty to remain incorruptible and also to avoid the appearance of being corrupt. He suggested that the Keating Five, especially Mr Cranston and Mr DeConcini, had failed to fulfil their duty.

The issue seemed faily sim-

ple at this stage. But when the five replied, apologia instead of apologies flowed. "What is wrong with an intervention on behalf of someone who contributes to your campaign?" asked Senator DeConcini, a man with the steely smile of the young Frank Sinatra. "Nothing," he replied to his own question.

The five say, they have broken no rules by helping Mr Keating, because there are no rules. In a series of impassioned presentations, backed by Senator Riegle's tears, Senator Cranston's plea about his cancer treatment and Senator Glenn's outraged pomposity, the message was the same trust me, Senator DeConcini was prepared to admit he could have been mistaken. "But I met Mother Teresa once," he said, "and the first thing she said to me was: 'How is my friend Charlie Keating?"

As the senators marshal their expensive teams of legal veterans from Iran-Contra and Watergate scandals, the fates of the accused have become entwined, however, with the reputation of the Senate and the prospects of reforming the whole moneydominated American electoral DEOCESS.

The defence used by the Keating Five has shed abnormally harsh light on what passes for business as usual among elected representatives. Senator DeConcini has boasted about his success in overturning Pentagon de-cisions on behalf of his local helicopter-maker (a generous campaign contributor) and farm subsidy cuts on behalf of his local farmers, among them big payers for his re-election advertising. Senator McCain, a former

prisoner of war and perhaps the least implicated in the affair, was so confident after his initial testimony that he gave a televised phone-in interview. The confidence did Zurich — Swiss growers launched two new wines to mark the country's 700th anniversary next wear house to see the country of th was playing you all like puppets."

couch potatoes have been

At least Twin Peaks is still

with innovation because it is

their only hope of wooing the

affluent viewers who are most

the new-style shows has been

The Simpsons, the quirky cartoon show broadcast by Fox,

the fledgeling fourth network. Despite its health, ABC and

CBS are growing nervous about their next avant-garde

offerings: adult cartoons

featuring, among other things, wisecracking rodents who live

The big exception among

prized by the advertisers.

Cult TV becomes American turn-off

From Charles Bremner in New York

DID Saddam Hussein kill of quirky series which the big three networks hoped would has glimpsed Twin Peaks, the eccentric television series, will know the question is hardly far-fetched. But beyond the far-fetched but beyond the far-fetche gothic imaginings of the ers. With an average of 27 other channels to chose from the American television busi- as well as video, American ness believe the Iraqi president may have hastened the shifting away from the big demise of the Twin Peaks cult. three for a decade. American viewers have

been abandoning Twin Peaks showing thanks, perhaps, to by the million in this, its self-mocking advertisements second season, along with in which ABC network execsecond season, along with most of the other innovative utives plead with viewers to programmes launched this programmes induction that genre dubbed "weirdo year amid a torrent of talk shout new-wave television. The great turn-off of Twin

The great turn-off of Twin about new-wave television.

Peaks - now relegated to 75th within the first few broadcasts: place out of 101 evening the networks say they are convinced the future still lies programmes - is being partly attributed to its increasingly bizarre plot. But it is also said to be a victim of worry about war. With President Saddam and the sagging economy to think about, viewers are rushing back to the comfort of the old formulas of sitcom and

Only a few months ago, Brandon Tartikoff, the head of NBC programming, pronounced what he called the new credo of US television: Tried and true equals dead and buried." Twin Peaks, launched in April, led a pack in the White House.



Ladies in waiting: Vietnamese women waiting to welcome Indonesia's President Subarto to Hanoi, the first visit by a South-East Asian non-communist leader since

Modern miss succumbs to comradeship

rade" campaign.

"When the going gets tough, stacles, Comrade can give you confidence and wisdom," according to "Ode to Comrade", a punchy little article in the People's Daily. Weary of four decades of political wordplay, most Chinese are simply rolling their eyes in response.
"Why should we want to

weaken or discard the respectful term comrade that our revolutionary forefathers gave their lives for?" asked the "Ode's" author, a retired communist party member who protests: "I think it's glorious to be called Comrade". Another People's Daily article yesterday criticised the use of the bourgeois term "miss" for dressed as "miss". women, which has been in vogue since the early 1980s when people began to feel that comrade lacked the human touch. "How you address someone is a sensitive and important moral and ideologi-cal issue," said the paper.

IN THEIR latest attempt to "One cannot forget that the turn back the political clock, term 'miss' flooded into the China's ageing leaders have mainland during a time of dragged "comrade" out of the confusion of right and wrong attic, dusted it off and are and mixing up of black and starting a "Just call me Com- white in ideology."

During the Cultural Revolution, if you called a Comrade can bring you woman "miss", she'd have strength; when you face ob- punched you. Nowadays punched you. Nowadays comrade just makes young people people giggle.

Last week, television and

radio announcers were told to clean up their act, cut out "Hello, friendly viewers", and replace it with an earnest "Hello, comrades". "After all, how can you tell whether all your viewers are your friends?" asked the People's

Daily.
The first time a TV announcer attempted comrade, he collapsed laughing.

"I can't remember when anyone last called me comrade," said one waitress, more accustomed to being ad-

In the Song dynasty, miss used to mean concubine, and it still carries a slightly flirta-tious undertone. "Middleaged women don't like to be called 'miss'," said one man, "they think you're laughing at

Manila oil blast foiled

From VAUDINE ENGLAND IN MANUA

AN attempt to blow up key oil supplies near President Aquino's palace was foiled when painters at the Shell oil depot here found a cache of

explosives.
The 139 sticks of dynamite and other explosives were found under a jetty at Shell's largest depot in the country. If they had been detonated, milthey had been octobased, milions of gallons of oil would have gone up in flames, which would have spread to the two neighbouring oil depots of Caltex and the state oil firm, Petron. Five hundred yards away, across the Pasig River, the Malacanang, the presiden-tial palace, could also have been damaged, together with a chemicals plan near by.

A senior Shell executive described the bombing attempt as a "major escala in violent attacks in the capital, beralding destabilisation efforts of a beralding "new proportion". Police defused the explosives, described by industry sources as of "military-type". It is feared that more similar explosives caches are already in place elsewhere in Manila.

The military also said yesterday that it had uncovered what could be a coup attempt, planned for the first or second

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BUCKINGHAM PALACE November 20: The Earl of Airlie (Lord Chamberlain) had an audience of The Queen and presented an Address from the House of Lords to which Her Majesty was graciously pleased to make reply. His Excellency Pengiran Haji

Mustapha was received in andi-ence by The Queen and pre-sented the Letters of Recall of his predecessor and his own Letters of Commission as High Commissioner for Brunei Darussalam in Loudon.

His Excellency was accompa-His Excellency was accompanied by the following members of the High Commission: Pengiran Haji Yunua (First Secretary), Colonel Pehin Dato Haji Hussin (Defence Adviser), Mr Murad Haji Paijan (Second Secretary), Mrss Rakish Haji Lamit (Second Secretary), Mr Haji Razak Bongsu (Third Secretary, Recruimen/Training), Pengiran Bakar (Third Secretary, Finance), Pensiran Haji retary, Finance), Pengiran Haji Kamaruddin (Third Secretary, Protocol) and Mr Ismi Hamid (Attaché, Education). Hajjah Norfishah Jirim was

also received by Her Majesty. Sir Patrick Wright (Permanent Under-Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs) was present and the Household in Waiting were in

Household in waning were in attendance.

The Queen, Colonel-in-Chief, 16th/5th The Queen's Royal Lancers, received Brigadier John Pownall upon relinquishing his appointment as Colonel, 16th/5th The Queen's Royal Lancers, and Major-General Alastair Dennis upon assuming the amonintment.

The Queen held a Council at 12.40pm. There were present: the Right Hon John MacGregor, MP (Lord President), the Right Hon Michael Howard, MP (Secretary of State for Employment), the Right Hon Christopher Patten, MP (Secretary of State for the Environment), and the Right

cellor of the Duchy of Mr Geoffrey de Deney was in tendance as Clerk of the

MacGregor, MP, had an audi-ence of Her Majesty before the The Queen, Patron, this evening attended a concert in aid of the Musicians Benevolent Fund

given by the English National Orchestra and Chorus at the Royal Albert Hall. Her Majesty was received by Sir Ian Hunter (Chairman of the

Royal Concert Committee).
The Countess of Airlie, Mr
Robin Janvrin and Wing Commander David Walker, RAF, BUCKINGHAM PALACE

November 20: The Princess Royal, Patron, the British Nutrition Foundation, attended the Annual Lunch followed by the Annual Lecture at the Royal College of Physicians of London, Regents Park and was received on arrival by the Mayor of Camden (Councillor Nirmal Roy).

rds Her Royal Highness, Patron, College of Occupa-tional Therapists, attended a ation, reception and din-

ner at Buckingham Palace.
The Princess Royal was attended by the Hon Mrs Legge-KENSINGTON PALACE

at The Green, Witham Park,

Subsequently His Royal Highness opened the Lincoln Magistrates' Courts. Magistrates' Courts.
Finally The Prince of Wales opened the Lawn Complex and attended the English Historic Towns Forum. His Royal Highness was

ceived by Her Majesty's Lord Lieutenant for Lincolnshire (Captain Henry Nevile). Commander Richard Aylard, RN, and Commander Alistair Watson, RN, were in

The Princess of Wales visited Omerod School for Physically Handicapped Children, Oxford, Subsequently Her Royal Highness opened the Magnetic Resonance Imaging Centre, John Radcliffe Hospital.

This afternoon The Princess of Wales visited the Deaf and Hard of Hearing Centre, Oxford Subsequently Her Royal Highness opened Vale House, the Botley Alzheimers Home. Finally The Princess of Wales

visited a Thames Valley Police Special Interview Suite in North

Her Royal Highness was re-ceived by Her Majesty's Lord Lieutenant for Oxfordshire (Sir Ashley Ponsonby, Bt).
Mrs James Lonsdale and
Squadron Leader David Barton, RAF, were in attendance. KENSINGTON PALACE November 20: The Princee Mar-

garet, Countess of Snowdon, Colonel-in-Chief The Royal Highland Fusiliers (Princess Margaret's Own Glasgow and Ayrshire Regiment) today re-ceived Lieutenant-Colonel David Hills on relinquishing his appointment as Commanding

Officer, 1st Battalion.
Her Royal Highness also received Lieutenant-Colonel Alan Roberts on assuming this

KENSINGTON PALACE November 20: Princess Alice Duchess of Gloucester, today visited Derby and was received by Her Majesty's Lord Lieuten-ant for Derbyshire (Colonel Peter Hilton).

In the morning Her Royal Highness opened the new offices of the Derbyshire Family Health Services Authority, Derwent Court, Stuart Street, and subsequently was present at a luncheon for St John Am-bulance at the Midland Hotel,

In the afternoon, Princess Alice, Duchess of Gloncester, visited Rolls-Royce ple on the occasion of the 80th Anniversary at Moor Lane, Derby. Mrs Michael Harvey was in

YORK HOUSE ST JAMES'S PALACE

November 20: The Duke of Kent, President of the Business and Technician Education Council, this afternoon attended the Triennial Awards Ceremony at the Hippodrome Theatre Hurst Street, Birmingham. Commander Roger Walker,

RN, was in attendance. The Duchess of Kent. Patron. today visited the Yehudi Menuhin School, Cobham, Surrey. Mrs Peter Troughton was in

attendance.
Her Royal Highness, Patron
of the Arthritis and Rheumanism Council for Research, this evening attended the Lantern Ball at the London Hilton, November 20: The Prince of Park Lane.
Wales, Patron, Royal Society for Mrs David Napier was in Nature Conservation, opened attendance.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr P.K.G. Aronsson and Miss M.E. Carter-The engagement is announced between Peter, son of Mr A.H. Aronsson and the late Mrs daughter of the late Lieutenant-Colonel Duncan Carter-Campbell of Possil, OBE, and of Mrs Duncan Carter-Campbell.

Dr R.J. Bale and Miss G.M. Lyne The engagement is announced between Robert, elder son of Mr John Bale and Mrs Anne Bale, of Cranleigh, Surrey, and Gina, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Geoffrey Lyne, of Rathdonnell, Trentagh, Co Donegal.

Mr N.E.G. Clowes and Miss M.C. Fleming and Miss M.C. Fleming
The engagement is announced between Nigel Edward Garfit, younger son of the late Major Edward Garfit Clowes, MBE, and of Mrs Edward Garfit Clowes, of Giade Lodge, Kingswood, Surrey, and Miranda Caroline, younger daughter of Caroline, younger daughter of Mr John Fleming, of Saltham Grange, Runcton, Chichester, Sussex, and of Mrs Paul Simms, of Birdcage House, Midhurst,

Mr J.M. Dingemans and Miss J.E. Griffiths

The engagement is announced between James, son of Rear Admiral and Mrs Peter Dingemans, of Walderton, West Sussex, and Janet, daughter of the Rev and Mrs Harvey Griffiths, of Wallington, Hampshire. Mr A.J. Ecclest

Mr A.J. Eccleston
and Miss A.L. Ball
The engagement is announced
between Andrew, only son of Mr
and Mrs R.J.L. Eccleston, of
Whitchurch, Shropshire, and
Amanda, elder daughter of Mr
and Mrs M.R. Ball, of Hampter Middlers

Dr J.M. Gilligan and Miss C.M.G. Rendell

The engagement is announced between Jonathan, son of Mr and Mrs W.D. Gilligan, of Bath, and Corimta, daughter of Mr R. Rendell, of Wanborough, Surrey, and Mrs M. Rendell, of Florence

The engagement is announced between Charles, younger son of Major and Mrs Haswell, of Lyminge, Kent, and Sarah, daughter of Mr and Mrs P.M.D. Folkes, of Abbotts Ann, Flampshire. Mr J.J.D. Scarlett

Mr C.C.D. Haswell

The engagement is announced between Dominic, elder son of Mr and Mrs James Scarlett, of Sevenhampton, Gloucester-shire, and Nancy, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs John Wayman, of Torquay, Devonshire.

Mr T.L. Murray Threspland and Miss T.G. Robertson The engagement is announced between Tim, elder son of Mr and Mrs David Murray Threip-land, of Henllys, Velindre, and Mis David Mutray Interpland, of Henllys, Velindre, Crymych, Dyfed, Wales, and Tania, daughter of Mr and Mrs Peter Robertson, of 31 Dancer Road, London, SW6.

Mr D.M.C. Rathbone and Miss J. Blinston
The engagement is announced between David, son of Mr and Mrs Brian Rathbone, of Southwater, Sussex, and Julie, Blinston, of Manchester, Lancashire.

Mr M.R. Tydeman
and Miss V.L. Hodgson
The engagement is announced
between Mark, youngest son of
Mr and Mrs K.W. Tydeman, of
Sydney, Australia, and Victoria,
younger daughter of the late Mr
Christopher Hodgson and of
Mrs Andrew Forbes, of West
Perkham, Kent.

Mr A.C.M. Withers and Miss J.M. Edgar

The engagement is announced between Anthony, younger son of Wing Commander and Mrs D.W.T. Withers, of Guildford, Surrey, and Jacqueline, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs J.G. Edgar, of Redhill, Surrey.

College of Occupational Therapists

The Princess Royal, Patron of present were: the College of Occupational Mr and Mrs De

the College of Occupational
Therapists, hosted a presentation and dinner at Buckingham
Palace in connection with the
Disability Information and
Study Centre Appeal. The
speakers included Mr Jackie
Stewart, Professor Bryan
Jennett, Professor Sidney Watkins, Mr Andrew Burns and Mr
Jeffiey Rose. Among those

Mr and Mrs Derek Barron, Mr and
Mrs William Builingham. Mr Robert
Burness and the Hoa Mrs Burness. Air
Mrs Tota Cowle. Mr and Mrs
Fammanuel Davidson, Mr and Mrs
Burness Mr Lady Meaney. Mr and
Mrs Golin P. Ellis, Mr and Mrs Abdul
Stewart, Professor Sidney Watkins, Mr Andrew Burns and Mr
Jeffiey Rose. Among those
Mrs Brian Wright.

OBITUARIES

THE REV DR JOHN HUXTABLE

The Rev Dr John Huxtable, first moderator of the United Reformed Church, died on November 16 aged 78. He was born on July 25, 1912.

JOHN Huxtable was an eloquent and much loved free church leader, who was the first moderator of the United Reformed Church when it came into being in 1972. For this he received doctorates of divinity from both Aberdeen and the Archbishop of Canter-bury, Dr Ramsey. With Ramsey he also had a fruitful relationship during the crowning phase of his life's work, when from 1975 to 1978 he was executive officer of the Churches' Unity Commission, whose 10 point programme became the basis for wide ranging discussions on the question of unity between church denominations in this

Huxtable was born in Sussex, but in all but his birthplace he was a west country man, educated at Barnstanie Grammar School; Western College, Bristol; and Bristol University. After further study at Mansfield College, Oxford, and St Catherine's College, he returned to Devon as minister of the Congregational church at Newton Abbot. There he met and married Joan Snow, who was to be a superb support to him in all his

After Devon he was always based in London and faced a succession of demanding tasks. In 1942 he became minister at Palmers Green. It was a large church, but facing the rigours of war. It quickly became clear that a pulpit voice of great distinction had been added to the denomination. The church grew in the post-war years and Huxtable moved to the central councils of the denomination.

fluenced by the principals of his successive theological colleges, R. S. Franks and Nathaniel Micklem. He came to dents. His college in a day of played a leading role in

He had been much in-



Micklem, Whale and Manning. He was in firm revolt against what he judged to be the theological excesses of the ultra-independent and liberal and a year later was the pungency and forthrightness, union which was later re-But his personal warmth, symbolised by a glorious and explosive laugh, rapidly dispelled antagonisms.

In 1954 he was appointed Congregational theological college in Hampstead. He was not a pure scholar as were his and informed mind was added proven outstanding ability in Throughout the nine years of the work of the ministry for joint conversations which prewhich he was preparing stu-ceded the union Huxtable had

He was chairman of the Congregational Union of England and Wales in 1962-63, school of his denomination, unanimous choice of the This made him for a while a nominating committee for the controversial figure. He ex- key position of secretary (later pressed himself with some minister-secretary) of the named "Church". Administration was not really his forte, but leadership was. His unflagging zeal for unity led his church into the first interprincipal of New College, the confessional union in British church history when the Congregational Church of England and Wales was united in predecessors, but to his able October 1972 with the Presbyterian Church of England.

not fail to attract students block.

share the classic Congrega- reduced numbers offering surmounting the hurdles and He leaves his widow, it tional position of men like themselves for ordination did it was in tribute to his a son and two daughters.

ecumenical work that he became the first moderator of the new reformed church.

After this and his two years as joint general secretary of the new church, in 1975 he became executive officer of the Churches' Unity Commission, to which all the main denominations in England, except the Orthodox church, belonged. This initiated wide ranging discussions between the main churches to produce 10 propositions which it was hoped might form the basis for agreement on a united church. In the event the commission's work was frustrated by the inadequate majority gained in the house of clergy of the general synod of the Church of England for such a covenant, but it represented strenuous effort by Huxtable and other ecumenists. As far as free church thinkers were concerned, the role of the episcopacy as it is variously understood in the Church of England and in the Roman Catholic church was in its hierarchical nature hardly compatible with the type of ministry which had developed in the free churches, and this would have proved a major stumbling Huxtable had held many

other offices - vice-president of the British Council of Churches, moderator of the Free Church Federal Council and vice-president of the World Alliance of Reformed Churches among them. Some of his colleagues regretted that his ecumenical work, with its endless to-ing and fro-ing herween conference venues. prevented him from doing much more of what he did best - preaching. In the pulpit he had great distinction of utterance and a power of conveying profound truths with a deceptive simplicity. His sermons reflected the man, large-hearted, affectionate and deeply devoted to the heart of the gospel.

He leaves his widow. Joan.

LIEUT-COL SIR CYRIL HANCOCK

oldest survivor of the British Indian Political Service, died Bombay Presidency on September 18, 1896.

standing connection with Gujarat and Kathiawar, Cyril Hancock's father and grand-Bombay political department; his great grandfather was a general in the Bombay army of the East India Company. Cyril followed in their footsteps. Educated at Wellington he went straight from Sandhurst to the Indian Army soon after the outbreak of the first world war. Commissioned into the 114th Mahrattas (a regiment in which he always took an inordinate pride), he served with them in Mesopotamia

Today's royal

engagements

Portrait Gallery at 2.30.

The Queen will hold an investi-ture at Buckingham Palace at 11.00; and will visit "The Raj-India and the British 1600-1947" exhibition at the National

Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother will lunch with the Collegiate Body of Westminster

Abbey in the Jerusalem Chamber at 12.15.

The Prince of Wales, as Patron of Music in Country Churches,

will give a reception at San-dringham at 6.45.

The Princess of Wales, as Patron of the Parkinson's Disease Soci-

of the Parkinson's Disease Society, will attend a reception at St James's Palace at 6.30; and, as a Royal Master of the Bench of the Middle Temple, will attend a dinner at the Middle Temple

Prince Edward, as Patron of the London Mozart Players, will attend Le Bourgeois Gentilhomme concert at the Queen Elizabeth Hall at 6.40.

The Princess Royal will attend the British Institute of Sports

Coaches annual luncheon and Coach of the Year awards at the

Savoy Hotel at 12.15; as President of the Save the Children

Fund, will attend a reception at

ICI Group headquarters, 9
Millbank, at 6.15; and will be
admitted to the Honorary
Fellowship of the College of
Anaesthetists at the Royal Coll-

ege of Surgeons of England at 7.30 and afterwards attend a

Princess Margaret will open the

new sixth form buildings at Chederit School, Middleton

Cheney, Northamptonshire, at

The Duchess of Gloucester will visit the annual Christmas fair at Kensington Town Hall at 2.00 in aid of the Greater London Fund for the Blind.

The Duke of Kent, as Chairman of the National Electronics Council, will preside at the

annual meeting and will attend

the Mountbatten memorial lec-ture and reception at the Institu-

tion of Electrical Engineers at

The Princess Royal is to be President of the University of

Polo princess

London Polo Club.

at 7.30

12.45.

3.15.

Lieutenant Colonel Sir Cyril battle against the Turks 1918 had proved a grossly Delhi, he was promoted res-Hancock, KCIE, OBE, MC, culminating in the capture of extravagant ruler. In 1928 he ident at Calcutta of the East-Baghdad.

on November 6 aged 94. He Bombay political department ition of a senior political officer forebears as resident of the was born at Amreli in the and served for two years as who was appointed by the assistant private secretary to viceroy as Dewan (prime min-THE Hancocks had a long Delhi on the staff of the For the next six years, assisted viceroy, Lord Reading By by a handful of officials, he ficer with a genuine love for now the Bombay politicals was the virtual ruler of an Indians. His prowess at a father had been officers of the Indian political service, which people, responsible for their outdoor activities combetokened a wider range of activities. Starting with a tour of government. of duty in Kathiawar where he was assistant to a succession duty and strength of character names as Ranjitsinhii and of residents for the States of Western India, he was moved in the same capacity to Rajputana with its important states of Udaipur (whose ruler merited a 19 gun salute), Jaipur, Jodhpur and Bikaner hold its own both economi-(all rated at 17 guns). But cally and financially, and the large membership on a chain Bharatpur, itself a 17 gun state, was in a parlous conwinning the MC in the last big dition. The Maharajah since After a spell at HQ in New daughter.

constructed earlier and more

bottom, the origins of the

forum appear to lie in an

implying that Roman society

was much more organised by

the late seventh century BC than had been thought.

Lying between the Palatine

and Capitoline hills just north

of the Tiber, the forum was the

market-place and meeting place of Rome, with temples

and public buildings around

the Lapis Niger, the "black stone", placed there by Romu-

lus, eponymous founder of the

line of Roman kings in the

eighth century BC. While he is

regarded as legendary, at least

the last three kings, ending with Tarquinius Superbus in

509 BC are accepted as histori-

cal rulers of the Etruscan age.

on March 20, 1904, in the presence of the King of Italy

Excavations in the forum

the governor. Then followed a ister). At 38 Hancock became similar appointment at New Dewan of Bharatpur in 1932, had been integrated into the Indian State of half a million variety of field sports and well-being and all the business

> triumphed over all adver- Duleepsinhiji. sities. When he came to leave in 1938, he handed over to the successor Maharajah (who as a minor had been educated in England) a state which could plight of the people had been of lakes near Aldershot. immeasurably improved.

Study proposes earlier date

for founding of Eternal City

THE forum of ancient Rome, tions by the Swedish archae- taken with the specific aim of

heart of the greatest empire of ologist Einar Gjerstad transforming the centre of the its time, seems to have been suggested that these layers basin and establishing the

were from domestic occupa-

served huts on the Palatine

Hill to the west reinforced the

impression that early Rome

However, a series of deep

soundings across the forum

suggests that this view must be

Parma university, has con-

cluded that the valley bottom

was in fact swampy, and thus

an unlikely locale for settle-

ment. The series of deposits

which Gjerstad thought were

successive habitation layers,

Dr Ammerman sees as a rapid

to dry out and level the

depression, and to raise its

extreme Tiber floods. A new

system of drains would also

have been installed, Dr.

Gierstad saw as proof of

The daub fragments that

Ammerman says.

floor above all but the most College

sequence of infilling, designed

Dr Albert Ammerman, of

grandly than has long been tion and included the remains

supposed. of "primitive huts with walls instead of a cluster of of reed tightened with earth".

simple huts in a damp valley The discovery of better pre-

impressive programme of impression that early Rome landfill and remodelling, was little more than a village.

culminating in the capture of extravagant ruler. In 1928 he ident at Calcutta of the Eastwas exiled and Bharatpur was ern States. Finally, in 1945 he After the war he joined the taken under the administra- came home to the land of his Kathiawar States and Baroda. India gained independence in 1947 Cyril Hancock was an able

and conscientions political ofmended him in particular to the Kathiawar princes whose In the event, his sense of ranks included such famous In retirement over the next

33 years, Hancock refused to remain idle. He took successfully to pig and poultry farming, and then for 20 years he He leaves two sons and

forum, with its prime location.

as an improved public space"

Some two metres' depth (6.5ft) of fill was needed in the

middle of the valley, and Dr Ammerman calculates that well over 10,000 cubic metres

probably took a number of years to complete", he says. Since the establishment of

the forum was the crucial

event in making early Rome a

formally planned community.

it would seem that the Eternal

City began a century or more

earlier, and under rulers

exercising more power, than

Source: American Journal of

The St Godric's College Old

Archaeology 94: 627-645.

hitherto supposed.

St Godric's

would have been used. This "vast amount of work

PIERRE BRAUNBERGER

born in Paris on July 29, 1905.

PIERRE Braunberger's record avant-garde, working with Jean Renoir, René Clair, Alberto Cavalcanti, Luis Buñuel and Salvador Dali, In the late 1940s he helped Alain Resnais make his first short documentaries; 10 years later he served as godfather to other members of the nouvelle vague, Truffaut, Godard, Jean Rouch, and Chris Marker. From Clair's Entracte and Builel's Un Chien andaiou to Godard's Vivre Sa Vic, wherever French cinema went, Braunberger was at the forefront, giving young talents He was movie-mad from

childhood. In 1920, aged 15, he embarked audaciously on a

world tour of film centres.

gaining production experience in Germany, England and Hollywood. Returning to France in 1924, he worked for a time as Paramount's French publicity director. Then Jean Renoir beckoned. They met, it is said, one late afternoon, and continued talking cinema all through the night. The next day, Brannberger – barely 20 – took charge of Les Films Jean Renoir. They worked together on Nana (1926), based on Zola's novel, the military burlesque Tire Au Flanc (1928), the sombre drama La Chienne (1931), and the exquisite Une Partie de campagne, left unfinished in 1936. The two men were kindred spirits; indeed, if you placed a beret on the dumpy Brannberger, he could easily be mistaken for a character from one of Renoir's films.

As sound came in, Braunberger maintained a hectic pace. He mounted what was planned as France's first all-talking, all-singing feature, La Route est belle, though another film Les Trois Masques emerged first. He purchased the Billancourt film studios with Roger Richebe, re-vamped their technical facilities, opened a chain of cinemas and forged ahead with further productions. Some were bread-and-butter assignments; but there was nothing conventional about Bunuel and Salvador Dali's feature-length assault on socicty's sacred cows, L'Age d'or (1930), which scandalised audiences with its brazen anarchy and anti-cierical jibes. He continued to run Billancourt studies throughout the 1930s.

The war interrupted Braunberger's activites. He

Pierre Braunberger. French Resistance and was impris-film producer, died in Paris on November 16, aged 85. He was tion camp. But he was back in full flow by 1945, establishing new distribution networks. building the Studios as a film producer is remark. Lhomond, and launching an able. In the late 1920s he extensive production prochampioned the Parisian gramme. He even found time to direct one film himself La Course des taureaux (1951), a bullfighting documentary.

Now he had new artists to champion. Resnais's early films on Van Gogh, Gauguin and Picasso's painting "Guer-nica" were made with Braunberger's help. In the 1950s he encouraged his nephew, documentary-maker François Reichenbach; and through his company Les Films de la Pléiade, financed Charlotte et son Jules and other shorts by Jean-Luc Godard. The young sprites of the nouvelle vague regarded their mentor with impish affection: "Until you've seen Braunberger cavorting about the beach in bathing trunks," Truffaut wrote from the Venice Film Festival in 1956,

"you haven't seen anything". When his proteges moved into features, Braunberger moved with them. He produced Jean Rouch's Mol un noir (1958), Truffaut's Tirez sur le pianiste (1960), Godard's Vivre Sa Vie (1962), Resnais's Muriel (1963), Eric Rohmer's Ma Nuit chez Maude (1969), and the carty features of Claude Lelouch. All told, Braunberger displayed courage, taste, awesome stamina and boundless enthusiasm in a branch of the industry where obstructive tycoons and money men predominate. World cinema would have been much impoverished without him.

Braunberger was married to the actress and director Gistle Hauchecome.



LADY OGILVIE

Kate Jenkins writes:

November 19) owe her a very great debt. She demonstrated, by her wise advice, the importance of being systematic the details of running an deal.

organisation. An even more important lesson was that THOSE of us who had the running an organisation privilege of being students at should be fun. She was always St Anne's during Lady encouraging, open and honest, Ogilvie's time there (obituary, Her guidance for a young and raw president of the JCR. through the shoals of internal politics, was memorable and, on occasions, hugely enteras well as radical in sorting out taining. We all owe her a great

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Dinners

Lord Colnbrook
Lord Colnbrook was host to the
United and Cecil Club at a
dinner held last night at the
House of Lords. Sir Marcus Fox, MP, chairman, presided and the American Ambassador was the principal quest and speaker. Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors
Mr Noel McDonagh presided at

Mr Noel McDonagh presided at the annual dinner of the Char-tered Quantity Surveyors Di-vision of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors held last night at Grosvenor House. Dr Garret Fitzgerald and Mr Nicholas Scott, MP, also spoke.

Nicholas Scott, MP, also spoke.
Bermada Society
Viscount Dunrossil, Chairman
of the Bermuda Society, presided at the annual dinner held
last night at Painters' Hall. Lord
and Lady Sharp of Grimsdyke,
Mr Rupert Allason, MP, and
Mrs. Allason, Mr Maxwell
Bruce, QC, Chairman of the
Board of Trustees of the Bermuda Biological Station, and
Mrs. Bruce and Mr Robin
Gorham were the principal
guests. guests. Institute of Measurement and Control

Control

Dr D.C. Cornish was host at a
dinner of the Institute of
Measurement and Control held
last night at the Institute of Metals after Professor Sir David Weatherail had delivered the Thomson lecture. Professor M.G. Mylroi was presented with the Sir Harold Hartley Medal by Dr Cornish who received the Alec Hough-Grassby Memorial Award from Professor D.P. Atherton.

National Defence College (Canada) UK Association The Canadian High Commissioner and Mrs Macdonald and Sir Patrick Moberly were the guests of honour at the annual dinner of the National Defence College (Canada) UK Association held last night at the Army and Navy Club.

Service dinners Naval Home Command Admiral Sir Jeremy

Commander-in-Chief, Naval Home Command, was host at a dinner beld last night on board HMS Victory. The Bishop of Portsmouth, General Sir Martin and Lady Farndale, Air Marshal Sir Peter and Lady Bairsto and Mr Jerry Wiggin, MP, were among the guests.

Inns of Court and City Yeomany
Colonel Stephen Carden,
Honorary Colonel of the Inns of
Court and City Yeomanry, presided at a dinner for past and present officers held last night at the Cavalry and Guards Club.

Service luncheon

RASC and RCT The Royal Army Service Corps and Royal Corps of Transport Officers' luncheon club enter-tained Mr Ian G Robertson, Director of the National Army Museum, at luncheon yesterday at Mark Masons James's. Brigadier D N Locke, chairman, presided. Among those present were:

Major-General P Blunt, Major-General P F Claston, Brigadiers B C Ridgey, E W T Barlow, R G Hammer, B G E Cautts, H R Oray and Colonels J F E Pwe. R F Descombe, M H G Young and F V Gray.

Luncheon

Musicians Benevolent Fund The Musicians Benevolent Fund gave a luncheon yesterday at ironmongers' Hall to mark the Festival of St Cecilia. Mr David Mellor, QC, Minister for the Arts, Dame Janet Baker and Sir Ian Hunter, chairman, were the speakers. Among those present were:

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Lord and Lady Armstrong of
findirater, Lady tunder, the Master of
the Ousen's Market has Abbot of
Belmost, Mr Peter the Abbot of
Belmost, Mr October Master
Sidoale Georges, Mr George Master
Sidoale Georges, Mr George Master
Sidoale Georges, Mr George Master
Sidoale Resident Panadana
and Mr Leopold Roinschild.

Anniversaries

BIRTHS: Voltaire, philosopher, man of letters, scientist, Paris, 1694; Walter William Skeat, etymologist, London, 1835; Sir Leslie Ward ("Spy"), caricaturist, London, 1851; Sir Arthur Quiller-Couch, man of letters, Bodmin, 1863.

DEATHS: Sir Thomas Gresham, founder of the Royal Exchange, London, 1579; Henry Purcell, composer, London, 1695; John Hill, calling himself Sir John, writer, London, 1775. The first free flight in a balloon was made, Paris, 1783. The German Fleet surrendered, 1918.

Sir Alex Alexander, former fast, 76; Mr Stanley Kalms, chairman, J. Lyons and Company, 74; Mr Coningsby Allday, former chairman, British 47; Mr Peter Liddle, racehorse

Today's birthdays

and the Times correspondent dwellings he believes came

Sir Alex Alexander, former chairman, J. Lyons and Company, 74; Mr Coningsby Aliday, former chairman, British Nuclear Fucis, 70; Miss Beryl Bainbridge, writer, 56; Mrs Georgina Battiscombe, author, 85; Earl Beatty, 44; Mr Roy Boulting, film producer, 77; Mr LD. Bullmore, a director of

trainer, 54; Air Chief Marshal Sir Theodore McEvoy, 86; Miss Natalia Makarova, ballerina, 50; 85; Earl Beatty, 44; Mr Roy
Boulting, film producer, 77; Mr
J.D. Bullmore, a director of Grace, actor, 43; Dr Michael
Gract, former vice-chancellor,
The Queen's University, Bei-

Students' Association Reunion will be held at 5.30pm on Saturday, December 1, at the White House, 82 Fizziolin's Avenue, London, NW3. All former students are welcome. in Rome revealed burials and from rubbish brought in as archaic pottery vessels. Forty part of the landfill of a major London, NW3 6AD. Telephone years ago further investiga- public works project under- 071-435 9831. Sir Geoffrey Hawkings

The memorial service arranged for Sir Geoffrey Hawkings on November 24, will no longer

take place.

Appointment Lientenant-Colonel Malcolm Ross to be Comptroller, Lord Chamberlain's Office, from January 1, 1990.

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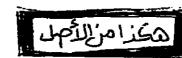
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THE ALLEY FIGHT CONTINUES

Nobody who takes on Margaret Thatcher can expect an easy contest. She fights inclegantly but fiercely. Her campaign to stave off Michael Heseltine's bid for her leadership is proving as messy as her 1987 election campaign. Her aides are second-rate, her tactics weak. Had she not spent the past three days in Paris - having brought forward the leadership contest - she might have won on the first ballot. As it was, she has suffered an all but lethal blow. The mistress of the political alley fight must now go another round.

Had Mrs Thatcher received less than majority support from her parliamentary colleagues, the pressure on her to stand down before the second round would have been overwhelming and justified. The much abused rules permit new entrants to the race and the party would rightly have been given the chance with fresh candidates to choose a new beginning. As it is, Mrs Thatcher only narrowly missed victory. Those not wishing to support her could well have abstained and her vote of 204 must be assumed a reasonably solid one. Her backers, Douglas Hurd and John Major, have both said they will not run against her. Give or take some spoilers, the assumption must be that the Conservative party faces another two-horse race in a week's time.

Mrs Thatcher has been sorely wounded. She is up against a strong challenger who has fought her for four years with the panache of a seasoned American presidential candidate, Mr Heseltine has marshalled money, talent and arguments, and has chosen his moment to attack with care. He is a sound challenger. Save for the pardonable sin of reneging on his promise not to run, he has conducted a creditable campaign, avoiding references to Mrs Thatcher's much-discussed personality.

The best interests of the Conservative party would now lie in Mr Heseltine honourably disregarding the letter of the leadership rules and standing down. He fought well but was unable to get either a formal winning vote or even a majority of the parliamentary party tosupport him. Damage has been done to the party by the outcome of his challenge. While it is unlikely that he will win on the next ballot, by staying in the contest, he is making certain even more damage. He would have done himself good in Conservative circles by withdrawing now. That is not to be.

Mrs Thatcher has brought much of this trouble on her head and has the most serious emergency of her career to surmount. Previously she brushed aside any intra-party dissent as the product of faint hearts, closet corporatists, wets and has-beens. She cannot dismiss it now. An election could be still 18 months away, months of continued high inflation, rising unemployment and more trouble on the poll tax front. The case for her last night was that she has recovered from such difficulties in the past. This expectation is

Mrs Thatcher must find an answer to the charges thrown at her this past month and do so in a matter of days. She has been asked to soften her tone and ameliorate her style since she was in political nappies. The effect of such advice has been zero. She revels in her public profile, arguing with some justice that the hostility it evokes is that of a bunch of compromisers and male chauvinists. Stridency, she says, is part and parcel of her conviction politics and her international reputation. Soften the edges of that profile and you will pull down the base of her government.

Mrs Thatcher's weakness is her inability to convince her political allies of this exotic thesis. This is not so much a matter of policies. Any government worth its salt has disagreements between personalities and departments. Mrs Thatcher has a publicly united cabinet on her European Community strategy - if not on her general outlook on Europe - as well as on such crucial matters as the economy, education and health and even the benighted poll tax. She has pursued unpopular lines before and won

What she must do is present the nation the appearance of an experienced team of vigorously independent ministers. She must do this urgently. The recent spate of resignations, most of them avoidable with a modicum of tact on her part, may be forgotten. But her solitary and authoritarian isolation has emerged from the past month's polls as her most serious electoral liability. She needs to swallow her huge pride and retire behind the line-up of competent colleagues heading her major departments.

Her two proposers last night, Douglas Hurd and John Major, are not just her most dominant ministers, they are also natural candidates for the succession. She must conclude a pact with them that extends beyond leadership support to embrace the whole future of the government's strategy; likewise Chris Patten, Kenneth Clarke, Tom King and others, all part of a reasonable team to present at the electoral box office.

Until yesterday, Mrs Thatcher could appear to say of her fellow ministers, "Oh to hell with them: there are plenty more where they came from!" She cannot afford to say that now. They have to be persuaded to declare four square for her. For the first time in her political career, Mrs Thatcher needs her colleagues more than they need her.

COMRADES AGAIN

"comrades" on state television, and exhorted the *People's Daily* so to addres The targets are not only words such as xiaojie - the Chinese word for "Miss" which the party organ condemns as having originally designated courtesans - but occupational titles. To refer to people as doctor, engineer or manager, thus recreating class distinctions, is once again antisocial. By contrast, the paper proclaims, "when the going gets tough, Comrade can bring you strength".

Whatever derision the appeal to good old revolutionary values arouses among most of the educated urban young, it will send shivers through those who can remember the Great Proletarian Cultural Revolution of 1966-76. For "revolutionary" they read "reaction": seeing this as the latest ploy in the bid by hardliners in the communist leadership to resurrect "class struggle" as an instrument of party control. If there is class struggle, it follows that there are enemies of the people.

Such public lessons in how to be truly reactionary disguise a hardfought battle behind the scenes between hardliners and reformers. Chinese communism has always harboured an intense anti-intellectualism which has sabotaged all efforts at economic reform. Each liberalisation has been followed by retribution: the Hundred Flowers movement of 1957 by the Great Leap Forward in 1958, the subsequent economic recovery by the Cultural Revolution's disastrous purges of "capitalistroaders", officials, teachers and managers. The most perniciously durable of all Mao

China's citizens are once again being greeted as Tsetung's slogans has been "better Red than Expert", which provided party hardliners a canon for reni economists and managers the powers needed to make economic reforms work. For a decade Deng Xiaoping's celebrated assertion of his indifference to the colour of any cat that caught mice relegated ideology to secondary place behind technical competence. But now, the People's Daily is back to warning against "mixing up black and white in ideology". The colour of the cats matters again.

With China's economy in disastrous shape, its leaders are paralysed by dissent over the new five-year plan, due to start on January 1. The meeting to approve the plan of the party's central committee, first scheduled for October, has been repeatedly postponed. The prime minister, Li Peng, shows no sign of readiness to surrender party control over the economy and has even called for tighter central planning and a return to Maoist doctrines of national selfreliance, but the old guard is under fire. Directives issued in Peking are increasingly ignored by reformist provincial leaders.

In all this, the ordinary "comrades" are, as ever, unconsulted victims of ideological whim. Western governments have decided, for geopolitical reasons, to lift the sanctions imposed after Tiananmen Square. They should leave China's leaders in no doubt that their country remains a poor investment risk - and that the remedy lies not in returning to Maoist nostrums but in relaxing the political controls which have stifled individual talent.

LOCAL DEALS FOR NHS

Britain's outmoded and inflexible method of settling both public and private sector wage increases has been improved over the last few years, largely by moves away from national pay bargaining. Yesterday's launch by four trade unions in the National Health Service of a pay claim for national rises of up to 20 per cent this year indicates how far that drive for reform still

The NHS unions have a good case. Hospital has to go. workers are low paid, if not as low as their spokesmen say. The unions stress a basic pay of £100, though averages with overtime and bonuses are about £153. None the less pay has worsened over the last decade. Recent research carried out by Cambridge economists shows that the earnings of hospital porters and ward orderlies have deteriorated sharply over the past 10 years compared with those of unskilled workers as a whole. Their work is not greatly skilled, but no less important for that -doctors could not easily perform operations in safety if dirty theatres had not been cleaned.

The "supply-side" problem is not so much this year's deal, but the mechanism by which the pay of NHS ancillary workers is set. Many pay negotiations in the public sector have moved away from the lumbering, formal setpicces which characterised national pay bargaining in the 1900s and 70s. In local government, probably the closest parallel to the NHS, bargaining has become much more localised, more linked to employment conditions in each area. National bargaining still operates for central government's employees, but the pay deals covering civil servants now provide for large degrees of flexibility. In the private sector, too, change has been extensive, with the ending of national negotiations in the largest single-bargaining group covering the engineering industry. Not so yet in the NHS.

National bargaining offers some advantages to both sides. Central negotiation can help to keep down the overall cost of wage increases by avoiding the leap-frogging endemic in local bargaining and which is starting in local government. Employer solidarity can be used to curtail union solidarity. But the disadvantage is high. No account can be taken of regional differences in recruitment and retention of staff, nor to variations in living costs. National bargaining in the private sector can force employers to settle higher than they need. Centralised bargaining reinforces the trade unions and their national leaderships, regard-

less of membership strength. The government can now change the way NHS pay is settled. The opting-out of hospitals will give local managements a greater degree of autonomy. Employees need not be disadvantaged. Hospital workers in London need not be dragged down by lower rates elsewhere. It may be tough on unions wedded to their centralised power but they must adapt or wither. They have survived with the move to local bargaining in the water industry, and have scored considerable successes in the campaign for shorter hours in the engineering industry, gains which would hardly have been won had national bargaining still been in place. Local pay bargaining in the NHS makes economic sense for workers and employers. The government should take its health service reforms this stage further.

The ecu should be the alter-

native. It should remain indepen-

dent from the needs of any one

nation and should be backed by

the economies of all the European

nations. Each European currency

would be convertible into the ecu,

in line with the requirements of

the ERM (exchange-rate mecha-

nism). This would maintain stability, provide reasonable flex-

ibility and would allow the emer-

gence of the ecu as a credible

reserve currency of the future. The

function of a European central

bank would be to control such an

The present proposals for a single currency suffer from a

1. By replacing national currencies

with a single currency, individual

nations lose the ability to adjust to

the reality of their economic circumstances. If the economy of

Greece is less disciplined and

productive than that of The

Netherlands, the drachma can be devalued, thereby providing Greek industry with a competitive advantage and also encouraging a

move to equilibrium between wealth creation and wealth consumption. If no such self-

adjusting mechanism is available,

then there will be a need for

transfers of subsidies to the poorly

performing regions and transfers

2. It is obvious that a single

currency can only be regulated by

a central European bank and within a central European budget.

This means that the European

authority, instead of concentrating

on its legitimate role of maintain-

ing the ecu, will become respon-sible for matters of strictly

national concern. The principle of

subsidiarity, which has always

been considered the foundation of

3. Lack of subsidiarity, payment of

on-going regional subsidies and

mass immigration will unleash

centrifugal forces which ul-timately will destroy Europe.

Events in the East should confirm

yet again that Europe consists of

nations with strong roots. We

which accommodates that di-

versity and draws strength from it.

Sir, Britain's enormous payments

as one of the only two EC "net contributors" during the last ten years (Mr Charles L. Parker, November 10) highlight the urgent

need for reform. At the very least,

only those members who are net

contributors should have the right

Sir. Your leader (November 9)

complains of the silence of the

shadow Chancellor, John Smith,

in not advocating more govern-ment expenditure on skill train-

Yet in the same edition (page 7),

your report on Mr Smith's reply to

the Chancellor's autumn state-

ment on public spending states interalia: "Why . . . in view of the present economic difficulties was

the government cutting spending

on training... They should be

increasing investment in training,

export promotion, research and

discussed the obvious require-

ment for a traffic strategy for

have been suggested which be-came unacceptable because there

is no possible strategy that does not contain a disbenefit for some

group, somewhere. That is why,

with the local elections then pending, Westminster City Hall

ignored its own proposals in 1986

for improvements to the Oxford

Street environment. Currently the

government is certainly in no

mood to upset anybody. Therefore

it does nothing and upsets every-

Yours faithfully, HARRY SHEPHERD (Director),

The Oxford Street Association,

16-19 Eastcastle Street, W1.

Over the past 30 years solutions

development".

A. J. COHEN,

Sutton, Surrey. November 12,

Tondon.

body.

Eastgate House

Yours faithfully,

Hamilton House

Yours truly, JAMES GOLDSMITH,

From Mr Peter P. H. Rein

25 Champs Elysées, Paris 75008, France.

to use a blocking vote.

Yours faithfully,

4 Borough View,

Torrington, Devon.

Skill training

From Dr A. J. Cohen

P. P. H. REIN.

November 16.

Europe, would be shattered.

of people to the efficient ones.

number of structural defects:

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Consequences of monetary union

From Professor William Letwin Sir, What is the "tragedy" that resulted, according to Sir Geoffrey Howe (report, November 14), from Britain's not having joined ERM five years ago?

He might have meant that the tragedy consists of the present inflation (and consequent recession), which would have been avoided by earlier membership in ERM. He appears to have forgotten that from late 1985 onward, Mr Lawson deliberately "shadowed" the Deutschmark, so taking the UK into the ERM in all but námė.

Far from preventing inflation in Britain, that policy and its concomitants tended to fuel it. That membership of ERM does not prevent inflation is evident from the fact that since 1979, when ERM began, not one of the member countries has been free of inflation. So if British inflation is the tragedy, Sir Geoffrey had better blame it on Mr Lawson rather than on Mrs Thatcher.

Perhaps, however, Sir Geoffrey meant that Mrs Thatcher's antipathy to European monetary union (and to ERM as a stage toward EMU) has kept Britain from exercising as much influence over EC policies as it should. Mrs Thatcher's reply has been that we should not join a club that would destroy Britain's monetary in-

EMU's destination is a single currency controlled by a European central bank. Britain would have just as little power to control that bank as it has to control the common agricultural policy. German central bankers will control it, because their record in containing inflation has been good albeit imperfect. Nobody can guarantee that they and their successors will continue equally devoted to monetary stability or equally skilled in maintaining it.

Surrendering Britain's monetary independence to EMU may have consequences much more tragic for Britain than any that would result from staying outside

of EMU for the time being at least. Sir Geoffrey's lament was full of passion but devoid of explanation. His unsubstantiated attack may produce tragic results for his party and his country if it were to help stampede the UK into EMU. Yours truly, WILLIAM LETWIN

15 Arington Road, NW1.

November 15. From Sir James Goldsmith Sir, The present debate about the single currency obscures an urgent requirement. We must create an alternative reserve currency to replace the dollar, should it continue its decline and lose its doned its world role, the dollar was ready to replace it. Today, nothing has been prepared and in adverse circumstances this could

Surfspeak From Mr B. K. Levy

lead to turmoil.

Sir, In Philip Howard's interesting essay (November 16) into the mutant aspects of surfing language, he misses out a vital link between the Japanese etymology of tsunami and its emergence in surfspeak.

The word was used, first by Japanese scientists and then (and now) by others studying seismological phenomena as a term to replace the miscalled tidal wave the vast wave which is observed to follow undersea earthquakes or eruptions.

Surely it is this scientific term which the surfer has culled to describe his big wave. Yours etc

9 Old Square, Lincoln's Inn, WC2. November 16.

Traffic and shopping From Mr Harry Shepherd

Sir, No group of retailers is more aware of the problems of traffic, dirt, pollution and the necessity for a transport policy than mem-bers of the Oxford Street Association. The writer of your leader on Christmas shopping (November 6) seems unaware that Oxford Street, the busiest shopping street in the world, which contributed over £700 million in foreign currency to the Exchequer in 1989, is traversed at peak by no fewer than 250 buses and 750 taxis every hour. One bus breakdown, or a student demo, and London is paralysed.

My colleagues and I, together with the London Tourist Board and other interested parties, have met with the secretary of state. We

Boring tunnels From Professor Emeritus O. A. W.

Sir, Not all ancient tunnels were as trouble-free as Eupalinos's (Professor Martin F. Smith, November 13). An inscription of about AD 150 from Saldae, Mauretania, reads rather differently. The local council, no doubt hoping for a cheap job with slave labour, had a tunnel for an aqueduct dug through a hill from both sides. The

diggers failed to meet. A specialist to aqueduct survey, Nonius Datus, had to be called in. He found that each side had veered to the right. He made a section, very likely using Hero of Alexandria's construction based on similar triangles, which was submitted to the governor. On the basis of this they dug again and were successful.

The costs must have been vastly

increased through bureaucrats' and consultant's fees, map-making, travel expenses, perhaps even recompense, because brigands on the way mugged the surveyor's luggage, stole his clothing and beat him up. At least Eurotunnel has not had these problems.

Yours faithfully, O. A. W. DILKE Moorfield, Huby, Leeds, West Yorkshire. November 13.

From Professor the Reverend Canon J. R. Porter

Sir, There is a precedent for the feat of the Channel tunnel engineers even eartier than that of Eupalinos. This is the so-called Tunnel of Hezekiah in Jerusalem

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Opposition to export of live horses

From the Chief Executive of the British Horse Society

Sir, You report (November 6) that opposition to the attempts by Mr Ray MacSharry, the EC agri-culture commissioner, to abolish the ban on the export of live horses and ponies accounts for more than half of the letters sent each week to the agriculture ministry and rural MPs". I am told that the ministry has never experienced so large a correspondence on any one topic.

Let me assure Mr MacSharry that the strength of this opposition will be maintained. The British Horse Society has discussed the matter with our own agriculture ministry, the Commission, repre-sentatives of the European Council of Ministers, Irish parliamentarians, other members of the Committee of Professional Agricultural Organisations in Brussels, and with local councils and welfare organisations in this country. In all our discussions we have received strong moral support for the retention by the UK of its system of exporting carcases only.

In January this year the European parliament passed 49 amendments to the Commission's transport and minimum values regulations, under which the lifting of the ban is proposed; the Commission accepted eight of these. We also hope that the Commission will authorise member states to adopt specific measures to safeguard the welfare of equidae (horses, ponies, donkeys, and mules) intended for slaughter.

Lobbying will not move merely to the European parliament, as predicted by Mr Maclean, Brit-ain's junior agriculture minister. British animal-lovers will continue to press for action in this country and, under the chairmanship of Harry Greenway, MP, leading UK horse-welfare organisations are requesting support for two early-day motions during the current parliament.

Yours faithfully, T. J. S. EASTWOOD, Chief Executive, The British Horse Society, must recognise our heritage of diversity and build a structure British Equestrian Centre, Stoneleigh, Kenilworth, Warwickshire. November 15.

> From the Chairman of Council of the RSPCA

Sir, The editorial, "A regrettable advertisement", in Saturday's Times (November 17) regretted your newspaper's decision to pub-lish the RSPCA's dead pony advertisement on November 15. I believe that you have no cause for

Most advertising uses symbolic imagery. The pony in our advert-British abattoir for shipment to the EC. It was shown hanging head upwards to enable instant recognition. The reality of it hanging inverted with its throat slit rendered it difficult to recognise and was arguably even more distress-

ing.
The RSPCA has always stated

Mental illness care

From the Chairman of the Royal College of General Practitioners Sir, Following the letter from the President of the Royal College of Psychiatrists (November 8) we would like to emphasise the importance of treating mental illness, especially depression, which is a common medical problem affecting as many as 15 per cent of elderly people. Patients should be treated promptly and skilfully, normally within the privacy of their own general practice.

We welcome a ringfenced grant for mental illness, but the government's definition of patients who will be eligible for it restricts benefit to those "accepted by the specialist psychiatrist services" This may exclude some of those with great needs. At a time when general practitioners treat over 90 per cent of patients who suffer from depression we believe that the definition of eligibility should be related to need and not to the kind of doctor providing the treatment

It is inefficient for patients, general practitioners, and special-ists if referrals are made just for access for grants. The Royal College of General Practitioners calls for an urgent review of both the funds available for grants for mental illness and the rules of eligibility for them.

Yours faithfully, DENIS PEREIRA GRAY, Chairman of Council, Royal College of General Practitioners, 14 Princes Gate, Hyde Park, SW7. November 17.

which, unlike the work of Eupahnos, is still in existence and can be walked through with a powerful torch.

It was constructed in the reign of King Hezekiah (714-686 BC) to safeguard the city's water supply and is some 1,749 feet long. The workmen were so proud of their achievement that they set up an inscription, now in Istanbul, to record their feat

This tells how two teams of workers started at each end of the tunnel and finally broke through together in the middle - "on the day of boring through, the miners struck, each in the direction of his fellow, pick against pick, and the water started flowing from the source to the pool". Yours faithfully,

J. R. PORTER 36 Theberton Street, Barnsbury, N1. November 13.

that this image was symbolic. Indeed the other adverts which support this campaign show simi-larly stylised images with which the Advertising Standards Au-thority have no objection, as was the case with the RSPCA's dead doe mountain.

The ASA unilaterally banned the dead pony picture acting under two sections of their code. The first allows such action against an advertisement "which may reasonably be expected to be found objectionable by a significant number of those likely to see their advertisement", yet by their own admission it was banned before they had received a single complaint.

The second, dealing with distress, permits such advertising tactics "only in circumstances in which the seriousness and im-portance of the subject matter unarguably warrant such an ap-proach". The RSPCA believes that the untold suffering of over 750,000 sheep and calves shipped live from Britain to the Continent and the prospect of horses joining this trade certainly qualify. We resent the implication that we were "merely in pursuit of an attempt to attract attention or to shock".

The public's support for the RSPCA campaign has been overwhelming. We will continue with this battle against the live transport to Europe of animals for slaughter.

JOAN S. FELTHOUSE Chairman of Council, Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, Causeway, Horsham, West Sussex. November 20.

From the Editor of Horse and Hound

Sir, Your report (November 14) on the RSPCA's advertisement campaign on the export of live horses states that *Horse and Hound* declined to publish their illustration of the dead pony on a hook with our news report, implying that the decision was made on policy grounds. In fact the report arrived in our office just before we went to press and there was no room for the illustration.

Yours faithfully, MICHAEL CLAYTON, Editor, Horse and Hound, Room 2105, King's Reach Tower, Stamford Street, SE1. November 14.

From Mrs Magda le Duc Sir, The hypocrisy of the Advertising Standards Authority stuns me. Has it ever condemned the equally of third world human misery which appear regularly, and rightly so, in various outlets of the

Yours faithfully. MAGDA le DUC. 86 Sheen Park, Richmond-upon-Thames, Surrey. November 16.

Sent to try us

From Mr Russell Middleton Sir, The question raised (November 20) by Mr Peter Turner — is there anything more exasperating than wiring a 13-amp plug? - is another example of our whingeing, privileged society. Does he not know that in some countries appliances are sold complete with plugs? This is a denial of a person's right (and pleasure) to spend many bappy hours wiring sometimes con-

rectly, his newly acquired chanels. We should thank, not be critical of, the authorities which allow Yours sincerely, RUSSELL MIDDLETON,

4 Ladbroke Square, W11. From Mr J. A. J. Berry

Sir, Mr Turner is right, Wiring a 13-amp plug in the UK still requires two different-sized screwdrivers and a pair of scissors, not to mention a memory which can cope with the sense of logic which says that earth is not brown but yellow, and live is not blue, but

Unless we move towards all electrical goods being provided with a factory-fitted plug, an altogether safer proposition, the man who invents a simple-to-fix plug will have the electrical equivalent of a better mousetrap on his hands. Yours.

JAMIE BERRY, Gowan House, 71 Gowan Avenue, SW6.

From Mr Nicolas Mynett Sir, More exasperating? Finding it does not work once you have wired it.

I remain, Sir, your obedient servant. NICOLAS MYNETT. Temple House, Stowe, Buckingham.

From Lady Brabazon Sir, Puncturing a newly-repaired inner-tube with the lever as one finally gets the last section of the

bicycle tyre back over the rim. Yours faithfully, HARRIET BRABAZON, 35 Cloneurry Street, SW6. From Mr Harley Nott

Sir, Wrestling with two or more wire coathangers. Yours, in a tangle, HARLEY NOTT. 17 Upper Tooting Park, SW17. From Mr J. P. N. Lowe Sir, Tying a bow tie. J. P. N. LOWE,

70 Littlebury Road,

Ciapham, SW4.

The ads are the best bit

Commercial addicts are in for an eight-hour treat

or people who actually enjoy advertisements, there is an overdose in store in London at the beginning of next month, when the Odeon cinema in Leicester Square screens an all-night show of eight hours of commercials, 500 of them from 45

In France, where the show, La Nuit des Publivores (The Night of the Ad Eaters). Originated, it is presented annually to audiences of dedicated fans who join in the jingles and shout out the slogans. To increase the carnival atmosphere, balloons and whistles are given out at the door. Whether British audiences will respond with such fervour, despite the gift of a bag of popcorn, remains to be seen.

The Night of the Ad Eaters is the creation of Jean Marie Boursicot, a

Frenchman who started to collect pieces of film as a child, when a projectionist gave him a clip from an advertisment for ice-cream. Since then, he has begged or bought

more than 350,000 advertisements from all over the world, from which he has compiled his epic. He attends every show. In France there is a Publivore Club, the members of which keep M Boursicot in touch with what they think of the shows. A particular favourite is an Ariel soap powder commercial in which a "house-wife" is asked whether she would change her packet of Ariel for two of an ordinary powder. The audience drowns out her reply, screaming: "We want Ariel!" When a French chocolate pudding ad suggests that everyone who likes Danette please rise, everyone is on their feet. There were letters of complaint one year when he omitted a perrenial favourite. African Bob, who drives his little Fiat across the desert to howls of amusement.

As well as the amusement value, M Boursicot sees some sociological signifi-cance in his work. The evolution of styles and social attitudes, as well as national differences, is highlighted by looking at one company's advertisements over several decades.

A selection of Levi jeans advertisements show how much even a classic garment can change, a hilarious favourite being the flares of the early Seventies worn with platform soles. "When you are in the cinema and you pay to see advertisements, if it is not good, you can take revenge," M Boursicot says.

LAURIS MORGAN-GRIFFITHS

 Night of the Ad Eaters, Odeon Leicester Square, London, December 1 (£16.50). Doors open 11.15pm, show starts at mid-night (071-379 4444).

Tremors in the literary bedrock

A wind of change is ruffling feathers at the

Times Literary Supplement, as the new chief executive and even newer editor plan a modest relaunch. Sean French reports

hen Henry Fairlie wrote his famous article about the Establishment in the Spectator in 1955, he identified it as including not only the prime minister, but also "such lesser mortals as the chairman of the Arts Council, the director general of the BBC, and even the editor of the Times Literary Supplenent". But the Establishment is not the protected species it once was. In the current issue of Oxford Today, Jeremy Treglown, the editor of the TLS, replies to the question of what it is like working for Rupert Murdoch: "We're left very much to our-selves. Despite the fact that he's a populist and we're highbrow, and that he's on the right and we're notably pluralist, he never interferes with editorial policy and he underwrites our losses - if there are any."

The me reached Michael Hoy, News International's newly appointed chief executive of Times Supplements Ltd. By the time Mr Treglown's interview was being pushed through the letterboxes of the Oxford graduates who make up the magazine's readership, he had been briskly fired, after eight years as editor. There were surrings of protest, but the literary world moves at a brontosaurian pace, and the revolution was disarmed before it had begun by the appointment of Ferdinand Mount, the journalist, critic, and one-time head of Mrs Thatcher's Policy Unit (he wrote her 1983 election

Ever since it was founded in 1905, the TLS has been an easy paper to attack. Its long-sustained policy of running un-signed reviews (ended only in 1974 by John Gross) was meant to convey disinterested au-

thority, but became notorious as a means of furthering private academic feuds. To an anti-Establishment literary critic such as F.R. Leavis, the paper repre-sented everything that was corrupt about the metropolitan literary clique. But members of the metropolitan literary clique attacked it for being over-academic. In Clive James's cruel words: "A don can make it into the TLS if he is one of the only two authorities on Punic zinc-smelting, and the

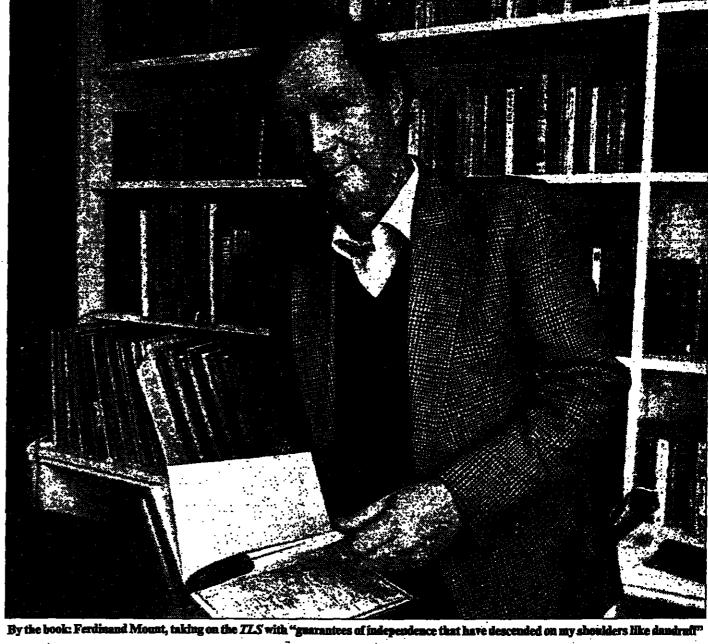
other has just written a book."

The London Review of Books tends to be more highly praised by literary cognoscenti, but its task is easier. The *LRB*'s circula-tion at about 18,000 is smaller, and it is Arts Council grant-aided. The *LRB* appears fort-nightly, publishing 15 or so reviews an issue. The *TLS* publishes more than 40 every week. The risk is duliness, although ironically the paper has generally been considered more sprightly in the past year. The TLS really goes wrong when it is diverted from its principal function. Its attempt last year to produce a collaborative European literary magazine was a flop. The weekly two-page list of titles of books received is a waste of space. And nobody expects the magazine's Commentary section, containing reviews of the other arts, to survive long under Mr Mount's

The paper's numerous staff with whom I worked briefly and happily in the mid-Eighties have been a byword in the literary world for their amisble eccentricity. A couple of years ago the paper connived in this view of itself by submitting to a Tatler profile in which staff members portrayed one another as variously layabouts, gossips and bons viveurs spending their days phoning friends. In fact the staff form a distin-

guished, if somewhat raffish, literary band, including the novclist Alan Hollinghurst, the poet Alan Jenkins, and the travel writers Redmond O'Hanlon and John Ryle. Much good work is published. But there is an unquestionable sense of malaise, inside the paper as well as out. It is not just that it loses money, but that it has slipped out of the mainstream of intellectual debate. The paper has a limited potential readership, of course. The vast majority of newspaper buyers would not be interested in a paper reviewing more than 40 books a week, however well it was edited and written. Nevertheless, although limited, the potential readership is international, and much larger than the 26,000 copies to which the paper has slipped.

Mr Hoy, the man with the responsibility for turning the paper around, makes the tra-ditional commercial noises,



insisting that "nobody should be expected to pay for the privilege of running a publication". But, offered a choice between cutting costs and raising circulation, he chooses the latter, and insists it will be achieved without going down-market: "There's room at the top end of the market for a paper like the TLS to flourish," he says. "It is a newspaper of international appeal which has edged into being a paper written by academics for academics. It should be a paper by intellectuals for an intelligent reader."

Mr Hoy is positively fogeyish in his defence of serious literary values; and insists there is no time limit. "No one's ever going

to make a lot of money from this paper," he says. But not all is sweetness and light. Using the now compulsory, it seems, cricketing metaphor, he says of Mr Treglown that he had "had a fair innings. I don't see the editorship as a lifetime appointment." Shortly after this interview, he sent three other senior executives back to the pavilion. But there have been no com-

plaints about the appointment of Mr Mount as editor, a formidably literate man, a highbrow and a respectably maverick Tory. His own Establishment credentials seem unimpeachable. Aged 51, married with three children, he is the heir to a baronetcy and

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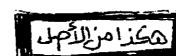
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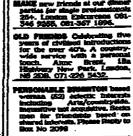
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This way to the green grass

From the lawyer who wants to see her name in lights outside the Streatham Odeon, to the company accountant who is looking for wider horizons, Jo Ouston helps professionals off

their career plateaux. William Greaves reports

LAINE Donnelly seemed to have life pretty well worked out. Born within the sound of the roars emanating from Anfield, Liverpool Football Club's ground, she had gained an honours degree in law from the London School of Economics and was enjoying all the security and respectability that goes with a senior post in the Lord Chancellor's department. She was just into her forties and earning a good salary.

There was only one problem. What she really wanted to be was a film producer.

Simply another dissatisfied soul who would forever gaze wistfully in the direction of greener grass? Not at all. Miss Donnelly had merely identified herself as one of thousands of British workers who have arrived at an impasse in their

They know they have more to offer - but they are in the wrong place for anyone to hear them. They are well enough regarded and their job is not threatened, but they feel ensnared by their own moderate success. In the inelegant — and almost unspellable — jargon of the commercial psychologist, they are plateaued.

That was when Miss Donnelly, at the age of 44, went to see Io Ouston. Objective, optimistic and reassuringly straightforward, Miss Ouston is not one to accord herself any pretentious title. With apparent reluctance, she settles for career management consultant. But that is only because there was no readymade job description to be found in the dictionary. "I'm not a head-hunter, I'm not really involved in outplacement, and I don't like the word counsellor," she says. "Counselling implies that someone is looking for something remedial. These are not problem people, and they are not short of potential - it is just that it needs releasing."

Miss Ouston ran the careers advisory service for the British Institute of Management, but left to set up her own firm, Jo Ouston and Co, when she discovered that companies had one great advantage over the people who worked for them. Whereas employers had a wealth of specialists to turn to when to me into career patterns, their employ-ees had no such mentors available. Now a steady stream of men and women come to her office in southwest London to take part in career workshops and to find a new

"People can tumble into careers because it was expected of them, and then wake up at 40 and say What the hell am I doing here?". And yet their job may not be nearly as far removed from what they want as they suppose it is," Miss Ouston says. "There may be the perfect job for them within their present firm or, if not, a small readjustment may be all that is necessary. There is no need to throw the baby out with the bath water when all you really want is perhaps a bigger bath, or more

"A company accountant, for example, may discover that what he always wanted to be was a jazz musician, and decide that now is the time to do something about it. Does he jack everything in and buy a trumper? Wouldn't it be better to become an accountant in the entertainment industry, and see what the view looks like from there?"

If the rest of the world takes us at our own estimation, Miss Ouston's job is to make sure that it receives the best possible picture. "If I have a frustrating time in the office here and bite the head off the bus conductor on the way home, what he sees is not a woman who has had a bad day at work but an old bat,"

she says.
"So when a man comes to me and savs that he thinks he is being held back because his colleagues regard him as being rather fierce and unapproachable, he is probably only irritable because his job does not demand from him a 100 per cent commitment. He is locked into a vicious circle. He is not getting on because of the image he presents, but the image he presents is condi-tioned by the fact that he is not getting on. After all, if we are cold we might look miserable. But we are not miserable — we are just cold."

Miss Donnelly was not exactly miserable. She simply knew that it was time to change direction. "When I left school I knew I wanted to produce films, but I also knew that I had to support myself," she says. "So I am afraid I chickened out. But more than 20 years later I had this impulse that I wanted to see a film of my own up there in lights at the Streatham Odeon. Other people would have their sights set on Leicester Square, but Streatham was good enough for me."

he took the first step by herself, joined the National Film and Television School, and financed her student fees by accepting every court appearance as a lawyer that she was offered. At fiction film and two others with animation. But she has no delusions about what lies ahead in the real world.

"One of these days I am going to have to talk somebody into parting with £2 million, and to do that I have got to inspire trust. I knew that I had a tendency to be too diffident, so I went on a five-day course with Jo Ouston. A series of specialists taught me how to speak, what to speak about, and what techniques I could use to improve my voice. I was taught to be the fool as well as



Pointing the way to new futures: Jo Ouston says "a small job readjustment may be all that is necessary"

the king, and already I can tell the difference. I present a case much better than I did a year ago and, more as a test than anything else, I went off by myself to Cannes to an international television and film convention and made some valuable contacts, which I could never have done before.

'I don't know how it will end but I have no regrets. I couldn't have spent the rest of my life wondering what would have bappened if only I had had the guts to give it a try and at least I know I will live rich,

even if I don't die rich." Miss Ouston's clients may share a feeling that their job has stagnated, but few other factors unite them. Charles Roberts, for instance, is an accountant, aged 43, who entered the profession for three years, then but left it again nine years later. After "a number of dead ends", he became the financial accountant, reporting to the chief accountant, of telecommunications company which grew from 450 to 1,500 employees in the four years he was there. He left earlier this year.

"I was earning in the order of £23,000, which is quite low for an accountant in a growth industry, and I was getting nowhere in a dead-end situation," he says. "I knew I had more to offer, but there was some sort of locked-up potential

These are not problem people, and they are not short of potential - it is just that it needs releasing'

which I couldn't put my finger on. I knew of Jo Ouston when she was with the BIM, and decided it was time I went to see her."

After two explorative sessions, Mr Roberts enrolled for two onetranspersonal psychologist, who offered guidance on all aspects of personality, and the second to develop "personal presence". "The original plan was to follow this up with a concentrated job search," he says, "but I decided not to go ahead with this second stage. The courses helped me so much that I knew I had to be more positive.

"With 1992 coming up, I decided to embark on an intensive period of language learning, which includes courses at Southampton university doing European studies, with a view

to finding work with a commercial organisation which has a European outlook - not just as an exporter, but as someone who is looking at the wider market. There are so many accountants coming up that I knew that, with no particular speciality to offer, there was nothing to be gained by going immediately into another job.

Although both Miss Donnelly and Mr Roberts admitted that they were confronted by "middle-age crisis", not all Miss Ouston's clients

are at that stage of life. Sonia Welch, aged 30, was, until recently, acting co-ordinator of the Angel Drugs Project in Islington, north London. "I was mainly there to give out information, advice and counselling to addicts," she

'But i decided i w move. I wanted to go outside the voluntary sector, become self-employed, and take what skills I had into the workplace - a practice which is well established in the United States, but has not really got going over here. As well as helping me clarify my own thoughts, Jo put me in touch with all kinds of people with useful contacts, and I am now working at a rehabilitation drug unit in London.

"I am only in a transitional period, of course, but I know I am going in the right direction."

Players in the fiddle market

Is a Stradivarius violin an instrument of music or investment? The answer lies in two imminent London auctions

he world record price for a violin could be shattered twice during the next two days in London, sending a seismic tremolo across the highly strung fretwork of fiddle society.

More than £500,000 could be called at Christie's today-

for a 1720 Stradivarius known as the Mendelssohn, owned for most of its existence by descendants of the great com-poser. Tomorrow Sotheby's expects bids of up to £1 million for a 1703 Strad called the Dancia, after a minor French virtuoso who was its most

celebrated owner.
The mellifluous soundboxes of Cremona were within the financial reach of most good soloists until well into this century. About 540 Stradivarius violins — as well as 50 cellos and ten violas -

western classical music. Now

they are — passionately."
With Strads starting to look gilt-edged, the interest may be speculative rather than artistic. The spectre of priceless instruments locked away in a safe haunts orchestral musicians, Their nightmare vision has a Freudian subtheme: not only is the object of desire held captive by a faceless ogre, but it is wasting away for want of physical love. Unless it is played regularly, a Strad is supposed to deteriorate. "I was always told it would go off if it was not kept in use," reports a

retired player.

Mr Beare rejects this as a double myth. "What affects Strads is not lack of use, but being played by people who do not know how to look after them at the right temperature and humidity. There is no investment money in violins, and no violins in musty vaults." Most Strad owners, he maintains, are wealthy amateurs or semi-pros who take out their prized pos-session to play with friends.

A Hong Kong banker once collected 25 Strads as a hedge against inflation, but even he tried to play them all. The Dancia is being sold by a Manchester musician and industrialist. Jim Reno, who gave up playing in 1972 after a coronary thrombosis. He is donating the proceeds to the Withington hospital. The Mendelssohn has been owned. and played, for the past 35 years by an anonymous American amateur, who is now selling it on behalf of Jewish causes.

Nevertheless, once sold at auction, instruments often disappear for a generation or more. The record-holding Marie Hall Strad violin, sold in 1988 at Sotheby's for £473,000, has not been heard since in a concert hall

Mr Reno offered to lend his have survived two centuries of Strad to competent perform-turnoil, selfishness and skulers, but found they could not duggery, but their relative afford the insurance. At a scarcity does not account for a special rate, and with a further suddenly inflated value.

"In general, the sterling Union members, it still costs a prices of top musical inplayer £3,375 in annual prestruments have some up 80 or miums to cover a borrowed 90 times since 1960," says. Strad. The reluctance of own-Charles Beare, of the Soho ers to release their precious string specialists, J. & A. instruments was fortified by Beare. "Thirty years ago, the the disaster that befell a Japanese weren't interested in British quartet leader who, mounting a concert platform fell and seriously damaged his borrowed Strad.

> uch father-figures as Su Yehudi Menuhin and Isaac Stern lend their spare fiddles to protégés until they can buy one. A loan fund, run from the Musicians' Benevolent Fund and headed by the Prince of Wales, offers small amounts to young players to buy a decent in-strument, but its entire outlay over ten years amounts to inst over £1.1 million - barely enough for two top-flight

There is no shortage yet of Stradivarius violins at leading dealers. Much, however, hangs on the outcome of this week's two sales. If either fiddle fails to sell in a recessionary climate, performers can breathe a sigh of relief. If, on the other hand, the millionpound mark is reached or breached, more fine fiddles will vanish into private collections, out of reach of all but a handful of jet-set artistes.

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Oasis of hope in a barren land

A one-woman helpline for the infertile has been a huge — but limited — success

tility treatment - as couples desperate to have a baby often discover. A helpline launched four months ago to offer information and counselling is already overloaded, according to the National Association for the Childless (NAC). In the first four weeks British Telecom monitored 2,150 calls to the helpline, of which only about 400 were able to get through. The service is on to its fifth answering machine: the first four broke down

under the pressure. Donna Rees, aged 29, a former midwife and sister in an infertility clinic, handles the calls alone, five days a week, from 9am to 5pm, and has been confronted by 35 messages waiting for her to deal with when she arrives at her Birmingham office. A call can last as long as an hour.

"The main problem for the majority of callers is the length of time they have been getting the same treatment with no result and no new suggestions of what they might do next," Ms Rees says. "Regularly a woman will tell me about difficult treatment over a number of years, and when I ask what treatment her husband has had she tells me he

has never even been seen." Ten per cent of calls are from men ringing up about their own fertility, another 10 per cent from men anxious to give their partners support. As well as giving callers counselling, the NAC helpline, which is being funded for a year by a drug company

IN SPITE of scientific ad- which markets fertility drugs, vances, there is still wide- offers an independent informspread ignorance about infer- ation service. Jonathan Hearn, the spokesman for the NAC, says: "Complaints are surfacing about the attitude and knowledge of fertility clinics, both NHS and private." We feel as if we are failing because we can only cope with 10 per cent of enquiries."

The NAC has a comprehensive reference library, and Ms Rees can advise callers on new treatments, and which hospitals or clinics provide what. There is, for example, an IVF project in Liverpool where a central laboratory has been set up to service all the district hospitals in the area. "Another example is the trial with human growth hormones which may help women who fail to respond to ovulation," Ms Rees says, but adds that she tells women only about trials which are looking for

ANOTHER problem which crops up frequently is money. A single IVF attempt can cost £2,000, and there is no guarantee of success. Ms Rees explains: "Some clinics advertise a higher success rate than average, which is be-tween 10 and 15 per cent. But some call fertilising an egg a success. Some call a positive blood test a success. But many

will not result in a baby. "I tell couples to make sure they know what the price in-cludes, because although there are a lot of people doing a lot of good work, infertile couples are open to exploitation."

HEATHER KIRBY

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Words of wisdom

WHICH famous women said:

One of the things that politics has taught me is that men are not a reasoned or reasonable sex"; "The easiest way to convince my kids that they don't really need something is to get it for them"; and "I am extraordinarily patient, provided I get my own way in the end"? The answers are Margaret Thatcher, Joan Collins and Margaret Thatcher. These and other gems attrib-uted to famous females past and present — on life, love, children and politics — are collected in Women in Quotes (Letts, £4.95), which would make an ideal stocking-filler

Decade of gems PALOMA PICASSO'S tenth anniversary of designing jewellery for Tiffany & Co will be celebrated with a collection of ten dramatic suites of gold and gemstones that go on display — and sale — from Monday. Morganite, peridot and kunzite (named after Dr George Kunz, the turn-of-the century Tiffany vice-president) are combined with diamonds and pearls in Picasso settings that include the sig-

nature X. Gadgets galore

THE Sharper linage is the ultimate yuppie catalogue in the United States, offering electronic gimmicks and gadgetry such as police radar detectors (a must where the roads are wide and straight and the speed limit 55 mph), indoor barbecues and cordless, infrared headphones. The current catalogue's greatest gimmick is antique Coca-

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Indian winter

THE long-anticipated Indian gallery opens at the Victoria & Albert museum on Friday. A new line of merchandise inspired by the collection, including stationery and ceramics, has been added to the museum shop. The Nehru Gallery of Indian Art is housed in a setting meant to be evocative of the courts of Mogul palaces, with a colon-nade of treasures. These include a rare picture of a turkey, painted in 1612.

There will be special talks and other activities, such as learning Indian crafts and how to create and wear a sari. For details write to the Box Office (India), Victoria & Albert museum, South Kensington, London SW7 2RL

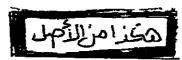
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Did anybody listen to the leaders?

Charles Wintour assesses the influence of the press on the Tory leadership challenge

tion." Since he was appearing on a television programme when he said it, the remark appeared to go unchallenged. In fact, it seems highly unlikely that the tiny electorate, which has been described as "the most sophisticated" and the most dishonest" in the world (both could be true), has paid totally deferential attention to media opinion of any variety.

The 372 voters divided themselves into three camps from the

start. There were the loyalists, probably the biggest group, there were the disaffected who rabled round Michael Heseltine, and there were the undecided, not more than 70 individuals, who could swing the chester. could swing the election. One of these, Emma Nicholson, MP for Devon West and Forridge, has revealed that she changed her mind about Mrs Thatcher over the course of the past 12 months. Two factors weighing with her were the poll tax and the effect of the business rate in her constituency. She also reckoned that three quarters of her constituents believed it was time for a change. So neither television nor the newspapers seem to have influenced that particular voter. No doubt others found a decisive factor in the weight of loyalist opinion in

In fact, so far as the press was

in Monday, John Biffen, the former cabinet minister, said: "This has been a television electrice he was appearing on a on programme when he the remark appeared to go enged. In fact, it seems milikely that the tiny electrice which has been described most sophisticated" and bould be true), has paid deferential attention to apparent of the paramon of any variety.

A new aspect of election opin-ion was the divisions within the same stable. The Mail on Sunday wanted change; the Mail on Sunday wanted change; the Daily Mail did not. The Sunday Times reluctantly moved away from Mrs. Thatcher to Mr Heseltine; The Times stayed loyal. The current crop of press "barons" appear more relaxed about editorial independence than some of their dependence than some of their predecessors, but, of course, no one was advocating a vote for Labour at this stage. (And only Lord Wyatt of Weeford was saying that if Mrs Thatcher was not leading the Conservatives at the next election "I would advise my millions of News of the World readers to vote for Mr Kinnock". He did not explain why, or, indeed, say what effect he thought

this advice might have.)
The television screen has been carrying a horrifying amount of



election material. When overfed with political propaganda in a newspaper the reader can always skip to something more entertaining, such as the fact that The Times wine correspondent regards a Safeway beanjolais nonveau as "stunning" and puts it top of her list, while the Sunday Correspondent's expert regards the same wine as "banana essence" and put it bottom of his list. In terms of moving pictures, Mr Heseltine has undoubtedly scored because he is always on the move, usually from one television studio to the other.

Mrs Thatcher, on the other hand,

has been showing that business continues as usual. For example, after telling reporters at our Paris embassy that she believed she would still be in Downing Street at the end of the week "and a little bit longer than that", she suddenly remembered that Douglas Hurd was by her side and asked him if he wanted to add anything about the conference, meanwhile uncon-cernedly looking at her watch. Perhaps it was for such reasons that one observer suggested that Mr Heseltine had the better of "the campaign", even if he lacked the votes to bring success.

It remains doubtful whether the 70 waverers were influenced either by television images or newspaper interviews. One factor alone must have helped Mr Heseltine — and that was common both to newspapers and television. It was the constant message from the opinion polls that Mr Heseltine would have a powerful effect in restoring the Conservative share of the vote at a general election. It is true that most polls showed a revival in Conservative fortunes anyway, but news about the Labour party has been virtually obliterated by the leadership con-

test and such indications must be regarded as suspect. For the Daily Telegraph, the true-blue Tory paper, on the very day of the vote, to carry on its front page a Gallup poll suggesting that some 20 per cent of the national electorate would consider switching to the Conservatives if the party had a new leader, may well have been the most powerful piece of propa-ganda produced by either side. But for this sophisticated (or dishonest) group of voters, ballot secrecy will ensure that we never know how some of them voted, let alone quite why.

editor. But he claims that, after two issues it sells 40,000 copies in Anglophone Africa

and is "breaking even".

Mr Newhouse is adamant that no loss-making ventures will be supported: "We get our grant-in-aid for broadcasting, not publishing." Lack of sales has forced the World Service to reassess its participation in Newspack, a series of ring-bound booklets on current world topics launched during the summer. Originally aimed at journalists, now they are likely to be marketed more to businessmen. Optimistically, the World Service has signed an eight-year contract with Broadside Books for its new literary venture; Mr Newhouse says the financial risk is with the publisher.

ANDREW LYCETT

MEDIA WATCH

New view from left

SOCIALIST, a fortnightly tabloid newspaper which promises to inform, not preach", is being launched by an umbrella group of socialist activists, including the Campaign group of left-wing Labour MPs. Ten thousand copies of the pilot issue, which offers "news, information and culture rather than the traditional lectures and jargon of left publications", have been distributed to Labour party members, trade unionists, environmentalists, women's organisa-tions and other campaigning groups. The paper, which follows the launch by the Communist party of the tabloid Changes, starts regular publication next March.

Beyond compare

SOME of Britain's best-known television commercials, banned in many other European countries on the grounds that they favourably compare their products with rival brands, may soon be allowed throughout the European Community, if the Advertising Association gets its way. The British advertising trade body is pressur-ing the European Commission, now drafting its directive on advertising, to ensure such "com-parative ads" are not banned in Britain or the rest of the EC.
"Press and television codes of practice in the UK ensure that any claim is substantiated, and that denigration of the competitor is avoided," says Angela Mills, the Advertising Association's director of special issues. "Comparative ads will encourage competition, benefit consumers and improve the free market in Europe.'

Green beam

GREENSAT, a collective satellite television group which provides specialist environmental, New Age and Third World development programmes free to cable operators on the Continent, Africa and the United States, is applying to the Independent Broadcasting Authority (IBA) to broadcast on one of the BSB Marco Polo satellite channels soon to be vacated by the merged British Sky Broadcasting. Greensat, which broadcasts "unashamedly intellectual" programmes for two and a half hours a week on the Olympus satellite, wants the IBA to let it use one of the BSB channels for free as it is "a public service broadcaster". "We are not a campaign; we are a forum for discussion. Our intention is to advance the international de-Greensat's only full-time worker. MELINDA WITTSTOCK

dush with this month's 6 per cent increase in its government funding, and enjoying the consensus that it and enjoying the consensus that it has been doing a good job, the BBC World Service is diversifying into book

Tomorrow it launches its first two titles: The Best of From Our Own Correspondent 1989-90, based on the long-running foreign affairs programme which also goes out on Radio 4, and *They Made Our World*, a series of profiles of scientists and inventors broadcast earlier this year.

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The BBC World Service

is spreading its net to

include book publishing distribution costs in the Far East, the

magazine, with boosted editorial content, is printed in Singapore as well as London. Over the past three years, Huna London, the BBC Arabic Service's programme guide, has been similarly transformed. It sells 50,000 copies a month, at prices ranging from 15p in Egypt to £1 in

have cut advertising revenue, but boosted sales. Ken Whittingham, the World Service's Arabic publications manager, says the last issue sold 12,053 copies in Saudi Arabia, making it the biggest selling foreign magazine in the country. He has recently launched a series of Arabic books, the Huna London Library.

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KORCZAK (PG): Andrea Wajda's

Barber a cut above the rest

OPERA ... Il barbiere di Siviglia Covent Garden

THE Royal Opera's plan to follow Agnes Baltsa's mezzo Rosina in The Barber, reviewed a fortnight ago, with one in the soprano register was scuppered when Edita Gruberova withdrew from the cast last weekend. Della Jones stepped in and so Rosina remained very much a mezzo.

On Monday for much of the first act there was the feel of the reserve team taking the field. Gone was the sparring between those two masters of Italian comedy, Gabriel Bacquier and Ruggero Raimondi as Dons Banolo and Basilio. Eric Garrett took teetering little steps across the stage as a Bartolo racked with arthritis and possibly worse, but the voice had uncomfortably dry patches in the aria. Alexander Morozov, latest in a long and distinguished line of Russian Basilios, had no such vocal problems - his bass is huge - but like some of his fellow countrymen he mangled the words and with them the jokes.

All the humour was left to another Russian, the baritone Vladimir Chernov, in a five-star house debut as Figaro. Chernov's progress has been charted here from his performances with the

Kirov, both in Leningrad and during their London visit, and with Scottish Opera in Forza. The voice is now resplendent and brimming with confidence. Seville's barber, played with the arm and ankle movements of a commedia dell'arte Harlequist, is a Cheeky Chappie and something more besides. Chernov, who performs with the swagger if not the height of the young Sherrill Milnes, makes it clear that Figaro is the man who oils the wheels as well as trims the wigs in Seville.

It is scarcely surprising that American houses, including The Met, have been fast to sign him up. Covent Garden should insist on an early return, preferably in

Possibly inspired by Chernov, the British team showed better form in Act II. Justin Lavender. who had made a wretched start with "Ecco ridente", displayed an agile, lightish tenor and engaging humour as Almaviva Della Jones, too stodgy in her opening scene. injected some bite into Rosina in Contro un cor". Gillian Knight put much feeling into Berta's little lament about the lot of old maids who have to tidy up the mess left behind by the likes of counts and barbers. Gabriele Ferro conducted

But there is no doubt about who gets things moving in Seville this time round: Vladimir Chernov.

JOHN HIGGINS



Brimming with confidence: Vladimir Chernov as Figaro

CONCERT LS/Zagrosek Queen Elizabeth Hall

WITH its financial future now apparently assured, the London Sinfonietta was in much better shape on Monday than a formight ago. Or maybe it was just that Lothar Zagrosek was conducting The performances he elicited of two contrasted Webern scores, the tenuous Five Pieces and the tightly knotted Concerto, were

DANCE

Swan Lake

Sadler's Wells

WHEN this production by the

Moscow Classical Ballet was seen

in Britain two years ago, it was on

larger stages but still looked

cramped. How much more so at

Sadler's Wells, even though Tim

Goodchild's decor has been cut

However, the stage must not

take too much of the blame for a

lacklustre opening night. The production itself is neither very

good nor very bad: it has some

good touches but rather more silly

ones. Much depends on how well

it is danced, and although the

corps de ballet is no better than

humdrum, the casts had the

benefit on their last visit of

coaching from distinguished vet-

erans borrowed from the Bolshoi

Ballet. There is no longer much

sign of them remembering those

the double-barrelled ballerina role

has lost its allure, apart from some

exceptionally fast fouettés. Alexan-

der Gorbatsevich (who missed

appearing here before because of

injury) proves to be a stodgy

Siegfried; he fails to display any

ROCK

Depeche Mode

Wembley Arena

IF THEIR name means anything

at all, it says that fashions burry

selves the exception that proves

the rule. Geographically they may

hail from Basildon but musically

they have put down their roots in

that little corner of pop history

which is forever outer space, also

The set design for their live

show, apparently supplied by the

constructivist arm of the Lego

corporation, made a good fist of

carbon-dating the band. A back-

drop of three socialist realist

pyramids made up of grey

known as 1981.

by. Yet Depeche Mode are them-

Vera Timashova's playing of

back more than somewhat.

exceptionally fine, with all the problems of blending, balance and interplay between instruments beautifully resolved Each movement thus became a whole thing, a continuous if fugitive or variegated piece of musical substance, and not just a chain of unanswered questions.

Offering these early 20th-century classics along with two other pairs of dissimilar works was intelligent programming. Pieces by Xenakis provided the concert's frame, with new scores by Franco Donatoni and H K. Gruber within. The Donatons was Clockes, for

great conviction in his acting.

As before, the national dances

are better done than the classical

scenes. The Mazurka and the

Spanish dance in particular go

with much flair. Even young

Vladimir Malakhov, remembered

as the company's best male

dancer, looks more at ease in the

lively Venetian dance than in the

would-be courtly pas de trois, but

some of the blame must go to an

inferior arrangement of the latter.

The Russian dance, too, is a

disappointment in choreography

and performance; the music calls

for something much more subtle.

which may give unintended

amusement to hardened swan

spotters, the sight of the villam

Rothbart scaring the living day-

lights out of his hostess as an

implausible way of persuading ber

is specially recommended, as is

the all-purpose conclusion where

the principals die, one after the

other, on the slightest pretext, but

the swan chorus enjoy a happy

Orchestra presumably does its

best with Vladimir Rylov's some-

times eccentric view of Tchai-

kovsky's tempi. The season runs

until Saturday with varying casts.

breezeblocks and illuminated

pilasters were sometimes obscured

by two screens onto which were

projected video images of stan-

dard low-rem pretentiousness. If

any era had a copyright on this

genre of cod Fritz Lang presenta-

tion, it was the one that spawned

Deneche Mode reconstruct a

thin slice of the past with machine

precision, mainly because they

have machines to help them. If it

were not that he was evidently a

ghost inside one of said machines.

the drummer would have to be

marked down as the hard worker

The pre-programmed percus-

sion track was so keen to get on

with the show that it inconsid-

erately cut short the audience's

participation in "Everything

Counts", moving swiftly on to the

in the band.

so-called New Romanticism.

JOHN PERCIVAL

The 38-strong London Gala

that their children sho

Among various innovations

two pianos with percussion, woodwind octet and, ultimately, the promised bells: a work of characteristically brittle sound and stuttering rhythm, losing its wend isolation only in the Messiaen-like wind writing, which

in this performance was a little

wobbly in ensemble. Gruber's piece was a singlemovement Cello Concerto, keenly played by Christopher van Kampen, but currously faceless: a muldly pleasant piece with mild pleasantries. Like other Viennese contemporanes, Gruber is an artist of irony, but here the genre's

ghosts of soulfulness and dexterity are too weakly evoked for their undercutting to have much in the way of force.

Force there was in plenty, though, in the Xenakis pieces. Timothy Lines was the impressive soloist in Echange, for bass clarinet and ensemble, and there was a strong closing performance of Jalons, a hot and clamorous score for 15 players sounding like a full orchestra. It is good to know that there will be more evenings like

poxy, eyeless heretic to include in

paint what he sees. Do not ask

how he managed to see the

Madonna in a tart: he stands for

The Artist Who Must Speak The

Truth. The tart goes mad and the

ambassador goes a-begging with a

starving urchin who sees in his

plight "a nice little earner". I

forget what happened to the

pephew but the kitchen maid's

cat's kittens are all drowned. Yes,

Fleetingly, the play hints that

literacy is good for you (the

ambassador teaches the servants

to read). Another notion, that

Artists Must Be Respected, is

scuppered by the painter's silli-

even the ginger one.

The painter, it seems, can only

his juicy religious mural.

PAUL GRIFFITHS

THEATRE \ Peaches

Lyric Studio, Hammersmith

SOME plays are stinkers because a promising idea is reduced to scraps by an author's poor craft. Others get nowhere because the initial idea is rubbish. Worst of all is a play like this one, written by Elisabeth Bond and directed by Peter Warde for all it is worth that is, without tension or charm. This kind of play has no discernible idea yet two hours of precious life are wasted while we scan the stage, sift the dialogue, straining to

clutch some lifetime of a meaning. We are in 16th-century Venice, a setting that invariably spells disaster for the modern playwright. A grubby painter is sketching a grubby prostitute for his Virgin and Child. The pious English ambassador is flung into prison by a half-dressed cardinal who orders the prostitute to infect him with the pox. Infect the ambassador, that is, the cardinal has the pox already, as well as a boringly mad nephew and a fear of hell-fire. To avoid the latter he has

the ambassador publicly blinded

so as to provide the painter with a

introductory thrashes of "Master

band members parked upstage

behind banks of keyboards, the

job of not looking like a computer

operative fell solely to Dave

Gahan, who took to the task with

much vocal mosning and drowing.

camp gyration and heavy-metallic

mike-stand manipulation. With

almost everything else about the

show being so studiously mechan-

istic, it came as a surprise when he

A genuine instrument, it should

be reported, was sighted during

songwriter Martin Gore's acoustic

interlude. One sensed that he

made too much of the moment.

plucking aggressively at his guitar

almost as if to let the auchence

saw fit to towel himself down.

Thus was terminated one of the

and Servant".

ness. The characters snart, they spit, they peel potatoes, look through telescopes and count land under another name. A programme note reveals that

this mess was conceived as part of a larger play introducing Ofiver Cromwell and Charles Darwin. At least we have been spared that. I do not think the cast of this

touring production would wish to be identified. In his cell the ambassador asks: "Why, oh why did I ever come here?" Yes, indeed.

JEREMY KINGSTON

know that it really was him pulling the strings.

He stepped forward again in "Enjoy the Silence", one of a show's brief flutations with clutch of lugubrious songs the humanoid input. With three of the band performed from the new album Violator (much the best of which was the high-octane "Personal Jesus"). Tantalising us with the hitherto remote possibility of a bona fide solo, he opted instead to treat bus curvaceous instrument as a dance partner.

To some this may have looked distinctly like a failure of nerve. But to most members of a full house high on the excitement improbably whipped up by Depeche Mode's identikit brand of electropop, the symbolism of the moment would not have counted for much.

JASPER REES

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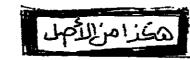
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Vivid examples of Scottish creativity in science and art: J.E. Lander's "James Watt and the Steam Engine" and (below) Eduardo Paolozzi's "His Majesty the Wheel"

Five millennia of tartan myths

he City of Culture's exhibition programme has been nothing if not ambitious. Until now, Glasgow's Glasgow, a trashy, jumbled, day-out-for-the-kids affair - had been the most depressing instance of curatorial folie de grandeur. Its scope, if not its scale, however, was modest compared with Scotland Creates. Five millennia of a nation's culture constitute a tail order to appraise in exhibition

When the ultimate European accolade was bestowed upon "the dear green place" on the Clyde, professional eyebrows were raised in that other cultural place over on the Forth. In the event, however, Edinburgh decided to be big about the inferred slight and for. Scotland Creates the national treasure houses sited in the capital have been denuded of their Scottish gems, and several specialists from the National Galleries and Museums have contributed worthy essays to the fine book which accompanies the exhibition.

A chronological survey of such a vast period would have been absurd and tedious, so the organisers have plumped for the thematic option: art and artefacts are assembled under banners such "Kingdom and Kirk" and Land of Adam" in an attempt, one assumes, to construct an image of Scotland's past rather than teach a lesson. This was sensible. The country's history as reflected in its products so bound up with myths, coloured by fantasy and distorted by misconception, that any stepby-step guide would defy normal

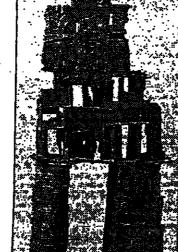
Because of its political absorption and military subjugation by England, Scotland is an immensely confused country: mostly Andrew Gibbon Williams discovers a sturdy celebration of Scottish history and art at Glasgow's latest exhibition, Scotland Creates

English speaking but with a heritage richer and more influential than many Scandinavian or continental countries. And the man who petrified that cultural confusion in the national consciousness was Sir Walter Scott. It was Scott who reinvented his country's known history, filtering it through his own romantic sensibility, impressing his stamp on it to such a degree that even today it is difficult not to view Scottish modernism as a reaction against his version of events.

The crux of the show is rightly the section dubbed "Scott Recreates". Here, one literally comes face to face with the Laird of Abbotsford: a giant mask has been constructed and, inside the roomy skull cavity, Scott memorabilia (first editions and such like, borrowed from his baronial pile on the Tweed) have been laid

The rest of the room is bedecked by a host of 19th-century Scottish Scott's inspiration. Henry Rae-burn's portrait, "MacDonnell of Glengarry", the model for Scott's highland chief in The Heart of Mid-Lothian, dominates, but there is also David Wilkie at his early genre best in the "Penny Wedding" and a glut of history pictures typified by James Drum-mond's "Porteous Mob", a historical recreation of the riotous reaction to Queen Anne's strictures on her rebellious northern

Presumably because of the abundance of material available from the age of the Scottish Enlightenment, Scotland Creates



is heavily weighted towards the 18th century. In the Adam section the castellated façade of the architect's Seton Castle - Robert in his more nostalgic, Scottish mode rather than Classical - has been somewhat ludicrously mocked up to house volumes of Adam père's Vitruvius Scoticus and a tome of his son's own more influential

Alongside, Allan Ramsay (Robert's Grand Tour travelling companion, doyen of the Enlightenment and arguably Scotland's greatest portraitist) is represented by his polished full-length of the young Lord Mount Stuart and his stunning, pretty picture of the second Mrs Ramsay.

The strain of earlier romanticism detectable here is emphasised in a separate display dedicated to Alexander Runciman's destroyed Ossian cycle. The Celtic bard, Ossian, and his Fingal poems were frauds so cleverly perpetrated by the 18th-century poet James Macpherson that the entire intelligentsia of Europe was taken in. In a way he can be seen as symbolic of the dubious, mythic national identity which took root in Scotland after the Act of Union and the debacle of Jacobism. Scots may have been created, but Ramsay (George III's preferred painter), Adam and his ilk were all North Britons to a man and Scott the highest of High Tories.

Curiously centre-stage at the McLellan is "The Art of Constructing a Past", in which the creators of Scotland Creates themselves attempt to weave a myth around Scotland's prehistory. An "interpretation" of the extraordinary house at Skara Brae, Orkney (Hanna Barbera's Flintstones were not too wide of the mark!) and a half-circle of Celtic crosses are backed up by the Celticinspired prints of contemporary painter Kate Whiteford, a tacky grotto realised by the photographer Ron O'Donnell, and a totemic sculpture derived from a Mackintosh chair.

The point of this is obscure, the element of fun inappropriate, but what is certain is that the modern concept of "art" and 'design" would have been as incomprehensible as that of "Scottishness" itself to the ancient folk who ground the bone necklaces in the Orkneys. Likewise, the medieval metalworkers, responsible for the maces and croziers which are one of the glories of this show, saw themselves as part of an international creative brotherhood.

Ironically, in view of Glasgow's raison d'être, industrial design is given short shrift. Fortunately, however, in the 19th-century Scotland's painters frequently used the country's great scientific discoveries as subject matter, a particularly fine example is Lauder's painting, "James Watt and the Steam Engine". Nevertheless, an encounter with a reconstructed section of the Forth Rail Bridge, this year enjoying its centenary, is one of the most memorable single experiences of the show. The Glasgow School, boys and girls, the Scottish Colourists and modern painters are all included but they have all been honoured this year elsewhere in Glasgow, so a sense of déjà vu is inevitable.

The question that all this begs is: who is such a show aimed at? For the connoisseur with the right background, it is an enjoyable romp. Perhaps the curious child will be stimulated by the whim-sical displays. But for the Texan tourist - he the City of Culture hopes to attract - for whom Scotland means golf, tartan, haggis, Pringle and the Famous Grouse, it will be a perplexing experience.

• Scotland Creates is at the McLellan Galleries, Sauchiehall Street, Glasgow (041 331 1854) umil April 1.

'It's up to me to bang the gong'

Sir Peter Hall, 60 tomorrow, intends to go on and on. Interview by Benedict Nightingale

espite tomorrow's birthday, Peter Hall is thinking of slowing down or retiring about as seriously as the Thames contemplates stopping at Greenwich rather than continuing to the sea. "No fear," says the Old Man River of the British theatre. "If you have a job you have a passion for. you don't want take it easy. I hope to keel over in the playhouse. In the 1950s I was the youngest director,

so maybe one day I'll be the oldest."
He created the Royal Shakepeare Company, he established the National Theatre in its South Bank home, and now he is on the bridge of his Peter Hall Company, charing the way ahead as he turns the wheel. An unnamed Shakespeare play and Tennessee Williams's The Rose Tattoo, with Juhe Walters, will be staged by him at the Playhouse after his revival of Pinter's Homecoming, which opens at the Com-edy in January.

After that, who knows? Almost

certainly, a new American play about Goering with the German actor Klaus Maria Brandauer. Maybe Alex Jennings in Shaw's Man and Super-

man, Vanessa Redgrave and her daughter Natasha Richardson in Eugene O'Neill's Mourning Becomes Electra, and Richardson as Rosalind in As You Like It. Hall's hopes of bringing Sean Connery on stage as Ibsen's Master Builder, and getting Paul Scofield to update his celebrated Lear, seem more

In its two-year existence, Hall's company has been more successful on than off the stage. Vanessa Redgrave and Dusun Hoffman went from London to New York with his productions of, respecrively, Orpheus Descending and Merchant of Venice. His Wild Duck may become a film on television, as Orpheus did in America. The problem has not been attracting talent, but finding a base in the West End. Plays planned for the Haymarket ended at the Phoenix, leaving Hall feeting like "a bobbing cork going wher-ever happened to be available.

There is a hard-core audience for classic revivals or serious new plays of about 40,000 or 50,000 people," he says. "I want them to know my address. I want to give a medium-sized theatre, maybe the Playhouse, a policy and an identity. Then it's up to me to bang the gong and build some solid

Gong-banging is even more vital in the commercial than in the subsidised sector. Two flops in succession, and Hall's company might well fold. "I can't take these same risks," says Hall. "I have always asked myself 'what is the must-see quality of this play?' But now the must-see quality has to be much more immediate. There needs to be something or someone, a Dustin, Vanessa or

Brandauer.' Yet already there has been an interesting exception to this rule. A relatively unglamorous Wild

Why? Well, one reason was surely a production that answered those who complain that the Peter Hall Company is not an ensemble or even truly a company. An ad-hoc cast looked as if it had been

together for years.

Hall agrees, modestly crediting the British theatre itself. "It is a permanent company of 800 or 900 first-class actors, who seem all to have worked with each other. It you cast a play well, you'll often find on the first day of rehearsal there's 400 or 500 years of shared experience there. There's a lingua franca, a trust."

In his view, this derives from the work of the RSC, the National and the reps. That makes him impatient with any suggestion that his company's success proves that good theatre does not need subsidy. "Absolutely the reverse," he says. "I am living on the 35 years I spent in the subsidised sector. On the actors, writers, and audience we created."

Indeed, he is still the Peter Hall who spent his last years at the National denouncing the govern-ment for failing to

subsidise the the atre at continental levels. "I've been accused of whingeing, complaining carrying on, and I'll do so as long as they go on breaking their promise, which was that sponsorship was for experiment and enterprise, and central grants would not be reduced."

Insufficient subsidy, he says, has

Brook to Paris, sent many a promising playwright to television, shrunk casts and seasons, and made it tough to stage or see Shakespeare. This last is a particular sorrow. "It's a reason for my chief worry about the theatre, which is that the craft of playing Shakespeare is diminishing Actors no longer grow up with him. You can't do Shakespeare now without first spending at least two weeks teaching them the ABC: where you breathe, how you parse and phrase him."

Hall's departure from Glyndebourne will not stop him staging the odd opera. Peter Grimes in Munich and La Bohème in Los Angeles are in prospect. He also hopes to direct original movies as well as films of his company's plays. David Edgar's adaptation of George Eliot's Mill on the Floss is a possibility, as is the story of Caruso and his two opera-singer

But the theatre will remain the centre of Hall's sixties. Asked if he could ever renounce it, he becomes as emphatic as Lear. "Never, never, never, never," he says. "Not for anything. Because of the joy of rehearsing, the communal sense of discovery. People say, the theatre's so oldfashioned, so clumsy. I say, give me six actors, three days and a room, and I'll create something which could fire your imagination. Give me three days on a film set, and I'll have 15 bits of jigsaw puzzle. Good, but not the same."

Harmonious exchange

ORCHESTRAL history is made in Leningrad tonight, when the Chicago Symphony Orchestra embarks on its first-ever tour of Eastern Europe. The New York Philharmonic toured the Soviet Union three decades ago under Bernstein, and in recent years a number of American orchestras have made the long trek east; but Chicago - one of the world's highest-paid orchestras - has so far declined to visit the spartan

hotels east of Berlin. The Russian concerts, under Sir Georg Solu, are part of an exchange: at the same time the Leningrad Philharmonic, under Yuri Temirkanov, will be per-forming in Chicago. Later the Chicago players and Solti move on to Moscow, Budapest and Vienna. Solti has, appropriately enough for

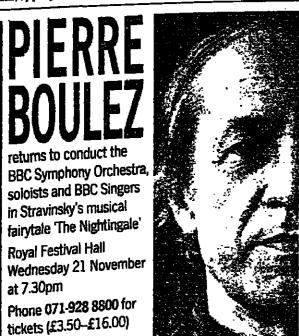
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DULL it isn't as location manager of Bruce Willis's latest film, an action adventure called Hudson Hawke. Problems with logistics, officialdom and fate have pushed the lavish production five weeks behind schedule and millions of dollars over budget -- adding a conservative estimate of \$12 million on to a film already costing \$40 million. The Vatican denied the film-makers permission to film St Peter's Basilica and director Michael Lehman had to find a poor substitute in a countryside castle. Shifting to Prague, Lehman arranged to shoot in Wenceslas Square, where political demonstrators promptly marched through Lehman finally tried Budapest, filming in sets originally built in Britain and laboriously shipped to Hungary. He is in





Willis: sconting Europe Budapest still, frantically shooting finish by November 30.

> THERE will be a surfeit of Sugar Plum Fairies in Britain this Christmas: all three of the country's top ballet companies will be offering The Nutcracker as their holiday season fare. Leading the way is English National Ballet, which has been performing Tchaikovsky's popular classic at Festival Hall for the past 33 years; this year, it will present 3! performances of Peter Schaufuss's eccentric version. At Covent Garden, The Nutcracker returns after an absence of four years with 17 performances of Peter Wright's nostalgic production, and in the Midlands. Wright is working on yet another Nucracker for his own

All going nuts

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JOSEPH Oppenheimer (1876-1966) had studios in both New York and London by 1900 and continued working until he died at the age of 90. His best pictures combine an Expressionist strength of colour with an Impressionist delicacy of tone. A dashing portrait painter, he also excelled at landscapes and flower pieces. A retrospective of his work, with 100 exhibits on show, finishes today at St James's Art Group, 91 Jermyn St, London SW1 (071-321 0233).

Birmingham Royal Ballet, All

cracking good shows, no doubt.

Maze of contradiction

FEW journalists have done more than Peter Taylor to bring to television documentaries the realities rather than the rhetoric of Northern Ireland. His Inside Story Special entitled "The Maze - Enemies Withiu" (BBC 1), was characteristically cool and collected. For that reason, it will have infuriated several million viewers.

The Maze is what used to be called Long Kesh: the H-block prison where loyalists and republicans are housed within separate wings to live out sentences that, in one case, amounted on paper to a total of 410 years.

Asked what he had done to achieve this remarkable total, the prisoner catalogued three murders, a manslaughter, arms of-fences, conspiracy and several attempted murders. After 13 years in the Maze, he now gets three days in summer to visit his family and six at Christmas. He is beginning to come around to thinking that there should be some kind of a compromise settlement, and his wife has no plans for remarriage. He is also on a committee which sits regularly to decide on behalf of prisoners whether they are getting adequately sized sausage rolls and proper facilities with which to celebrate the Battle of the Boyne.

The Maze has come a long way since hunger strikers smeared its cell walls with excrement and Bobby Sands died as a newly elected Westminster MP. Several of its prisoners are now studying Open University courses and four have already graduated with hon-ours. Nearly 400 men are locked up there, all convicted of terrorist offences and most serving life sentences for murder.

Prison officers accept that if they take discipline too far they will themselves end up with a bullet in the head, and the prisoners are therefore allowed their own organisations. They, as well as their jailers, have their own commanding officer, and a man in charge of welfare and family visits.

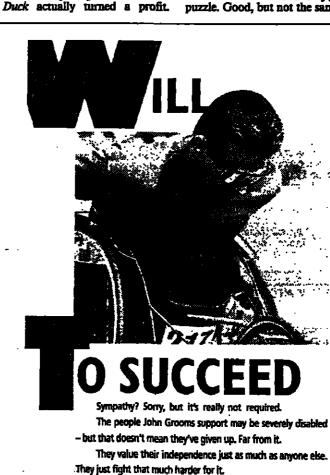
"If I go too far, there will be retribution, even a killing. It is all highly controlled. I would not live long if I broke the rules." This was not a prisoner talking about other prisoners, but one of the guards talking about his own life. Taylor's film, directed by Steve Hewlett, was at its best when illustrating such paradoxes. The Maze is not just a prison: it is a socialist collective, a highly organised, closed community with its own shops, sports fixtures and classrooms. University courses most favoured are in politics, econom-

ics and the Irish language.
As a result, the cells are still remarkably active. Although the outside world may (even in Belfast) be moving into the 21st century, in prison time has stood still for two decades, and maybe 300 years before that. These men do not mind being called murderers, but do not much care for the label psychotic. Republicans and loyalists alike are locked in with no certainty of a release date, but regularly reviewed by committees to decide if they might ever again be fit for freedom.

The contradiction is that the longer they stay locked together in their own political and prison cells, the less likely they are to come to any other view of the Irish world than that which first put them into this fortress. Hence the decision to let them briefly out into a family life where, with a hale luck, they may one day not be treated as the heroes they still

consider themselves to be. Taylor's film in its own uncritical but observant way found the beginnings of a kind of regret from one or two of those under arrest. But how long, oh Lord, how long? If a man can be serving 400 years, he perhaps can reckon his politics on a similar time-frame. The rest of us would rather not wait that long for an end to the killings which were chillingly echoed from recent news bulletins over the

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Moscow jolts Nato with low arms figures

From Michael Evans, defence correspondent in parts

AMERICAN arms experts have that leaves more than 12,000 cancelled a trip to Moscow amid suspicions about new Soviet figures on tanks and artillery in Europe. The cancellation comes only a day after the signing of the Conventional Arms in Europe (CFE) treaty.

Washington says the experts. who were hoping to check recent weapon withdrawals east of the Ural mountains, need more time to evaluate the figures.

Nato arms control negotiators had been expecting revised figures from Moscow in time for the signing of the treaty in Paris on Monday. It had been clear for some time that the Russians had been moving large numbers of tanks and artillery out of the area

covered by the treaty.
When Washington first raised this with Moscow, an American team was invited to go to the Soviet Union to assess the data as a way of reassuring America that the Russians were not trying to build up a new strategic force outside the treaty area. Douglas Hurd, the British foreign sec-retary, also pressed his Soviet counterpart, Eduard Shevardnadze, to explain the withdrawals.

According to sources, the Americans were to have flown out on Sunday, the same day the Soviet negotiators at the CFE talks in Vienna presented the latest data on the categories of equipment covered by the treaty.

The figure that caused greatest surprise was 13,828 artillery pieces. Nato's assessment of Soviet artillery stocks in the treaty area, west of the Urals, was 18,000. That figure was published only last week.

The reduced figure means the Russians will have to destroy only 653 artillery pieces, instead of the 4,825 expected by the West. Under an agreement with its East European allies, the Soviet Union is allowed to have 13,175 artillery pieces in the area west of the Urals.

A diplomatic source said: "The Russians talk about converting arms systems. But while you can convert tanks for civilian use, it's difficult to think what you can do with artillery, unless as a part of a

Washington decided to postpone the trip to Moscow, to evaluate the new figures. The figure for tanks was 20,694. In January 1989, the Russians said they had 42,000 tanks in the region. This summer it had dropped to 24,000. The new figure means the Russians will have to destroy 7,544 tanks.

Diplomats say it is easier to announced in his United Nations speech in December 1988 that he planned to withdraw 10,000 tanks from eastern Europe. These tanks have been relocated east of the

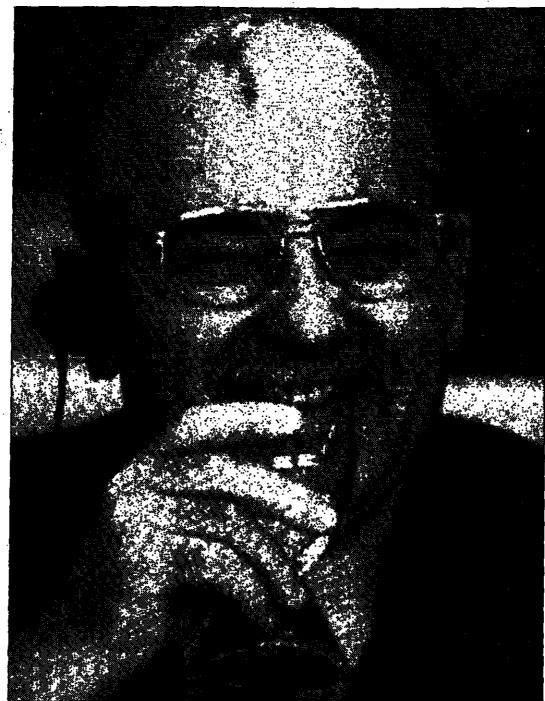
But, discounting the 10,000,

tanks that have been withdrawn from the treaty area. The Russians have told the West what they plan to do with the 20,000-odd tanks that were listed as CFE-related last year but which have now been wiped off the list: 8,000 will be converted or destroyed, 4,000 have already been written off as scrap and 8,000 are to replace older tanks in Soviet Asia.

A source said: "We haven't accused the Russians of breaching the spirit of the CFE treaty because we can't. First of all, the treaty won't be in force for several months (because it has to be ratified) and, second, for 40 years, we have been calling on the Soviets to withdraw their tanks from central Europe. Now they have done it, we can hardly complain." The Russians, however, are aware that unless they satisfy the Americans over the large stocks of tanks and other equipment building up east of the Urals, the CFE treaty will run into difficulties with the American Senate, which has to ratify it.

The latest Soviet figures on other arms categories are 1,330 helicopters and 6,445 aircraft, which are also lower than Nato's estimates of 1,500 Soviet heli-copters and 6,700 aircraft.

Under a separate declaration, each alliance has agreed not to exceed 430 land-based naval aircraft, with no single country allowed more than 400. Since the Soviet Union claims it has exactly 400 such aircraft, none will have to be scrapped.



Raising the arms question: President Gorbachev quenches his thirst at the Paris conference

Thatcher pledges to fight on

Continued from page 1 Norman Tebbit, the former party chairman, described her vote of 55 per cent as a "cracking" result, but David Waddington, the home secretary, said he was very

Mr Baker was also disappointed that there had not been an outright result. "For this to go on for another week is unsettling. So I am looking for a speedy resolution," he said. Asked on Channel 4 News if the time had now come for Mrs hatcher to bow out with dignity said there was no question of her

Michael Portillo, the local government minister, said: "Mrs Thatcher will be in the second ballot. No minister will run against her. She got many more than the next candidate. She must

be well-placed to win." Paddy Ashdown, the Liberal Democrat leader, said: "Mrs Thatcher now leads a faction, not a party. The Conservative party is in disarray, at war with itself."

Tough year to decide Tory fate

THE next 12 months will tax the diplomatic and political skills of the occupant of 10 Downing Street in a way that could determine whether the Conservatives win a fourth term.

Next month, two inter-gov-emmental conferences open in Rome to chart the future of the European Community and both have the potential to trigger deep divisions within the Conservative

The conferences will be on European political union and economic and monetary union. The meetings will flesh out the declarations agreed by 11 of the EC leaders at last month's Rome summit. That ended with Margaret Thatcher isolated, and her subsequent Commons statement to be the catalyst for Sir Geoffrey Howe's resignation and the leader ship contest.

Against Mrs Thatcher's wishes, the II other heads of government agreed to begin the second stage of economic and monetary union in 1994. She was also alone in expressing reservations about the summit's conclusions on political

union. Mrs Thatcher described ideas for overhanling EC instimtions as a "ragbag of proposals". Britain refused to endorse proposals to extend majority voting to taxation, the environment social affairs and other matters; to give more power to the European parliament; to define European citizenship; to work towards a common foreign policy and to seek a greater community role in

security and defence. The Foreign Office hopes, however, that with Luxembourg and The Netherlands holding the EC presidency for the next year, there will be more sympathy for Brit-

strategy that will command the support of the bulk of the party and end the damaging confusion to Europe. Douglas Hurd signalled the need for such a development when he said: "When the [leadership] contest is over, the prime minister and the cabinet will want to consider how to draw the threads of our policy on Europe together, unmistakably,

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over the hills of Scotland and northern England. The heavier showers will be confined in the afternoon to exposed eastern coastal areas. Inland areas will generally be dry after a frosty

start with some fog patches. It will feel rather cold with

temperatures possibly reaching the seasonal norm in the sunnier South. Outlook: continuing bright, cold and showery.

and raily the party and the country

On the domestic scene, Conservative MPs are bracing themselves for a fresh wave of unpopularity next spring as councils set their poll tax levels. With the economy still expected to be in the doldrums, unhappiness over the community charge is likely to result in poor opinion poll ratings and, if Mrs Thatcher is prime minister, a further bout of speculation about her leadership.

Only a few weeks later on May 2 elections will be held for 12.253 seats in 36 English metropolitan councils and in 333 district councils in England and Wales. The elections will offer some pointers on whether the government could risk going to the country in June or October. If there is not a general ister will face the dilemma of either going to the country in October or in 1992.

Should she wait until 1992, the prime minister faces creating the perception that the government is chinging to power until the last

Bright and cold with sunny

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Political sketch

'Gazza' unavailable as temple crumbles

THE committee room in which the great event was to be staged was packed. Ourside, a queue of would-be spectators was held back by parliamentary order-lies. The air buzzed with the whispers of waiting journalists. The world watched.

Gary Lineker, the England captain, was to appear before the all-party football com-mittee, at 6 pm. "Gazza" being unavailable, "Lazza" was the star attraction.

Not far away, a sideshow was attracting some slight attention. Voting was soon to close on who should be prime minister. The incumbent, Mrs Thatcher, ("Thazza") was being chal-lenged by a man nicknamed "Tarzan". If Tazza could make it to round two, "Dazza" Hurd and "Jazza" Major - and the fearsome "Nazza," from Chingford - would be under pressure to stand. But only if Thazza stood down.

As reporters waited, hoping to catch news, views, or at least quips, from MPs hurrying to vote, Nazza's latest joke was circulating, to merriment.

"There's a dream ticket for the leadership. Have you heard?" Mr Tebbit apparently enquired, poker-faced, over a drink following a satellite TV discussion. "My brain in Michael Heseltine's body."

As so often in these affairs of state, the journalists appeared to be interviewing each other. From time to time a Tory MP or minister would try to join in, but it was clear that the main actors were confused about events. The media appeared to have the most confident grasp, and were easerly explaining to each other what was happening and what it meant.

It struck me that these leadership crises could most usefully be staged without involving MPs at all. Is it not the press which sets the stage, creates the roles, and auditions politicians hopeful of appearing in our show? MPs make an amateurish and often haphazard contribution. Often they do not understand what it is we want them to say. Their fumbled input requires brutal editing. MPs

from the screenplay and referred to only indirectly.

Perhaps the saddest of sights was that of backbenchers whom none of the journalists recognised, striding from the ballot, ready with a wry no comment and a smile for the cameras — only to find that nobody was asking. Some said "no comment" anyway, hovered for a moment, then moved

sadly off. "We check," said Sir Michael Shaw, presiding over the ballot, that they are who they say they

With the inimitable Teddy Taylor (C. Southend E), there was no need to check.

"Any comment, Mr Taylor?" "Yes. In all my years, I've never seen anything so cruel and so nasty." He stalked off.
"So he's wavering," muttered one reporter.

Sir Anthony Meyer strode by. "I'm not revealing which can-didate I supported, but it was a

In the chamber, it was insufferable. They were discussing health questions: but the atmosphere resembled the waiting room adjacent to an intensive care ward, as friends and relations of a patient in critical condition try to while away the hours playing Scrabble. Minds were elsewhere and they almost forgot to welcome to the despatch box a brand new secretary

of state, William Waldegrave. "I hope he'll still be there after 6.30 pm," said Labour's Rohin Cook, generously. He was. So was she.

The beheading of the Duke of Monmouth, 305 years ago, was apparently a grisly affair. It took seven chops of the axe. After the third chop the duke was reported as looking up and enquiring "Is that it?".

It wasn't, quite. Nor for ber, yesterday, quite. But, like Rasputin, though much nicer, Thazza is running out of lives. And like Samson - "Sazza" she seems determined to bring the Tory temple down around

MATTHEW PARRIS

Bush close to agreement

Continued from page 1 officials as a perfect illustration of how President Saddam was ignoring the warnings from the rest of the world.

The Americans are keen to include in a new resolution some form of ultimatum to the Iraqi leader. However, British sources emphasise that there was no question of a set deadline for impose too great a pressure on our own forces," one source said.

Douglas Hard, the foreign secretary, also had a session with Mr Shevardnadze, playing his part in trying to persuade Moscow to back a fresh UN reolution, authorising force. Mrs Thatcher

told Mr Gorbachev, and later President Mitterrand of France, that Britain was considering sending reinforcements to the Gulf, although no troop numbers were

Like the Soviet leader President Mitterrand had also adopted a wait-and-see approach to the Gulf, apparently unwilling to rush into a new UN resolution. But British France could be counted on to support the resolution authorising

Both Mrs Thatcher and President Bush also saw President Turgut Ozal, the Turkish leader, a key figure in the alliance against Iraq.

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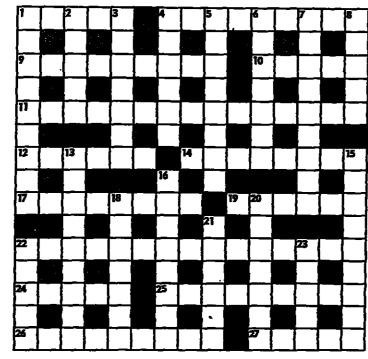
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- 9 Shameless girl gets hit (9). 10 in second half of game, receiver finally achieves a point (5).
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- 19 Several people who collect pearls (6).

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21 For a break, knock about a country (6). 22 "Well, hello there, soldier!" (5). 23 A girl gone wrong (5).

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Concise crossword, page 17

WORD-WATCHING A daily safari through the language jungle. Which of the possible definitions is correct?

By Philip Howard

a. A skating spin b. A student swot c. A motorway hitch-hiker

2. The smooth blenny

c. An Australian tourist

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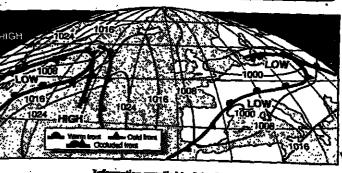
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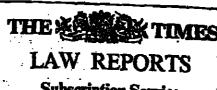
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2.35 Country File investigates farmers

8.15 Westminster. A round-up of yesterday's proceedings in the Lords

9.00 Daytime on Two: France and the

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3.00 Primetime presented by David Jacobs and Shella McClernon, The studio is transformed into an exotic water garden and a viewer has her wardrobe completely remodelled by a fashion consultant. With musical contributions from the four-man 1 close-harmony group, Casablenca Steps 3.40 Lifetine. Magge Pration appeals on behalf of Skill, the National Bureau for Students with Disableses (r)

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club (Ceefax)
5.35 Neighbours (r). (Ceefax) Northern
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6.00 Six O'Clock News with Peter
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2.30 December Name Magazines.

6.30 Regional News Magazines.
Northern Ireland Negribours
7.00 Wogan. The guests include former
Birookside stars John McArdie and Sue Johnston, currently appearing at the Young Vic. and the Spities anger

7.35 Doogle Howser, MD. Wonderfully unbehevable American drama about a 16-year-old doctor. Staming Neil Patrick Harns (Castax) . 8.00 The Trials of Life: Fighting, Sir David Attenborough's compelling nature senes continues with a look at

fighting in the animal langdom (Ceefax) Points of View, Anne Robinson with another selection of wewers' letters praising or penning programmes 8.00 Nine O'Clock News with Martyn Lewis. Regional news and weather

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5.00 Film 90 with Barry Norman (r) 5.30 Nature: Death on the St Lawrence. A desturbing report on the dead whales being washed up along the shores of

Further space adventure with the new crew of the Enterprise (Ceetax)

6.50 DEF II begins with Dance Energy Update. Dance chart followed by Autobiography of the USA. A peek of American Institute 7,00 Sound Guidel.

at American history 7.00 Rough Guides to Careera. A new sense starts with reporters Ray Dhanda and Lindsay

MacRae investigating the catering industry 7.40 Rapido. Includes the Pet Shop Boys talking about their new album and Barry White on tour

CHOICE: Supposedly the general

proving to be a very wide umbrella. Only one of tonight's three items can properly be called acientific. A report

title for a science magazine, Antenna is

property be cased scientists. A report from the United States by an old Horizon hand, Alec Nisbet, on how street lighting is "poliuting" the sky, and making life difficult for astronomers. A German film, narrated by Julian Petitier, about the wildlile inhabiting

Attentorough territory while the main item could easily have turned up in

Pancrama. Teling Ugande as his model, Dr John Saemen, senior medical officer of Save-The Children, questions whether immunisation is the

a puddle belongs more to David

Canada's St Lawrence River (r). (Ceetax) 8.00 Star Treic The Next Generation.

4.00 Catchword. Anagrams and word puzzles with Paul Cosa.
4.30 Behind the Headlines. Beverly



Trenchent humour: Rowen Atkinson (9.30pm)

9.30 Blackadder Goes Forth. Trenches humour with the award-winning comedy team headed by Rowan Atlanson as Captain Blackadder (r) (Ceelax)

Northern tretand Raw 10.00 Sportshight, Steve Rider presents tootball action from the FA Cup first round replays. Harry Carpenter is at Gateshead Leisure Centre for the emeteur borang metch betw England and Scotland, and there is a preview of the first test in Brisbane, due to start on Fnd

11.30 Film: Mitchell (1975) American tough guy drame starring Martin Bal John Saxon and Linde Evens, A tough cop suspects a not lawyer of der desprie a plee of selfdefence and his suspicions are confirmed when he finds himself mysteriously taken off the case and moved to another department Directed by Andrew McLagten, Northen Instand Blackadder Goes Forth 12.00 Close* 1.05am Weather

best way to improve health in poor cest way to improve negot in poor countries. He argues that it is very expensive and does not prevent the majority of dinesses and suggests that the money might be better spent on providing basic health services which could offer a wider range of treatment.

9.00 M*A*S*H: Operation Friendship. More black comedy from the medics of the 4077th (r)

9.25 Die Kinder Ghosts.

© CHOICE Now that Pauls Milne's achap thniler has set out its stall, the enterest from now on will be in how well it can sustain its initial momentum. Six hours is an awful lot of television time to fill, three times as long as the average cinema film, and the expensions of similar ventures in the past is that a brisk opening is often followed by a long period of marking time. There are hints of this in tonight's second episode, but to Milne's credit not very many. The strength of her screenplay is the deft interweaving of the personal story of the mother (Miranda Richardson) in search of her staducted children and the so far more enigment political story, involving the tegacy of German terrorism. The director Rob Walker keeps the narrative taut and makes effective use of the Hamburg locations while Frederic

Forrest continues to impress as the letter-day Philip Martowe (Ceetax) 10.20 Fifth Column. Devid Cannadine, professor of British History at Columbia University, New York, offers an historical perspective on Mrs Thatcher 10.30 Newshight with Francine Stock 11.15 The Late Show, Arts and media

12.00 Behind the Headlines, See 4.30. Ends at 12,35am

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6.00 TV-am begins with News followed by Good Morning Britain presen Martin Frizzel and, from 7.00, by Mike Morns and Mays Even Includes news with Lisa Aziz on the hour and headines on the filer four in the Doc Spot at 6.20 and 8.35 Dr Hitary Jones discusses ante-natal care. After Nine teatures the cooking canon John Eley, who has recipe ideas for 9.25 Keynotes. Musical quiz hosted by

Alistar Dival 9.55 Thames News and 10.00 The Time . . . The Place . . . John Stapleton chairs a discussion on authenesis. Among the guests are the prother and sister recently accused of trying to murder their mother, who

was dying of cancer
10.40 This Morning Magazine programme
presented by Richard Madeley and Judy
Finnigan Agony sunt Denise
Robertson is on hand to help viewers with their problems and Elaine Lipworth presents her Stateade celebrity review Plus more existing dishes with Flavours of the Orient, With national and international news at 10.55 and regional news at 11.55 followed by national weather 12.05 Alisons. For the very young 12.25

Home And Away Australian drama about a couple and their toster children 12.55 Thames News and 1.00 News at One with Nicholas Owen.

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1.20 The Body Works presented by
Caron Keeting and Net Buchanan, in the last of the current senes. Michae Straction shares her secrets about keeping fit, there is a search for the perfect shoe and advice on overcoming

fear of the denost

1.50 A Country Practice Australian drama based around a rural community health centre. This afternoon Peter thes to blackmail Alf

2.20 Take the High Road. Scottish scep set in a Highland village 2.50 Talkabout. Andrew O'Connor hosts the game where the secret to success is

the gift of the gab 3.15 News headines 3.20 Thames News headines 3.25 The Young Doctors. Australian scap set in a large city hospital 3.55 Notice the Elephant, Animated fun

with the clumsy triendly elephant 4.00 Hot Dog 4 15 Milus & Angelo. Drama senes starring Tyler Butterworth and Matt Wright This afternoon Mother arrayes at Ritte's with a guest, her boyimend Terence Creighton-Smythe 4.40 Roti's Cartoon Club. Fun with Rolf Harms as he delives into the fascinating world of cartoons and animation. The programme includes a visit to the studios where an American Tail 2 is being made

5.10 Blockbusters. Fast-moving quiz show for teenagers presented by Bob

5.40 News with Fions Armstrong.

5.55 Thames Help Jackie Spreckley with details of Southall Day Centre 8.00 Home And Away (r) 6.30 Thames News and weather 7.00 This is Your Life Michael Aspel

opens the big red book and gives another unsuspecting worthy a surprise
7.30 Coronation Street. Another slice of northern life (Oracle)

8.00 Des O'Connor Tonight Music, conversation and laughter with Des and his guests who include Julio iglesias Derek Jameson, Mariah Carey and the Roly Potys 9.00 Medics, Continuing the six-part medical deep content legacient with sex

medical crame sense, lead with sex and casuattes. The week Claims is under severe pressure with a consultancy interview approaching and her boss, Toynbee, paying her rather too much attention.
Consequently her once happy marriage is suffering under the strain. Starring Francesca Ryan and Terence Harvey

10.00 News at Ten with Sandy Gell and Jule Somerville. Weather 10.30 Thames News and weather 10.48 The London Sports Personality Awards 1990, Nick Owen is at the Calé Royal in London to host an awards ceremony for the Panasonic Trophy,

now in its fifth year, which brings together stars from sport and showbusiness in a gala event held in aid of the Greater London Fund for the Blind

11.40 in the Heat of the Night. A feature-length episode prior to the start of a new series about come on the streets of Sparta. Virgii unwritingly gets involved with a terrorist organisation responsible for kidnapping Gillespie. Starring Howard Rothns and Carroll O'Connor Followed by News headlines 1.30 World Chess. The latest news from the 29th Team Chess Olympiad in Novi Sad, Yugostavia, with Raymond Keene, chess correspondent of The

1.45 The Twilight Zone: Nightsong. A tno into the darket depths of the imagination. When a lemale disc jockey plays an obscure song recorded. by a former lover, the musical almost magically appears back in her life after a period of ten years (7)

2.15 Videotashion. The new or of American designers is under the

camera 2.40 America's Top Ten. With Casey Kasem and Tommy Puett

3.10 Quiz Naght. Pub and dub general knowledge quiz
3.40 Three's Company: Teacher's Pet. Dated American comedy about two girls and a man who share an aperiment. and a man who share an aparmen Jack is invited to teach at his old cooking school Followed by News headines 4.10 Windsurf. Saliboard action

4.40 Fifty Years On (b/w) A look back to 1940 to see what was making the headines in November, with the help of old newsreel clips 5.00 ITN Morning News with Brenda Rows. Ends at 6.00

CHANNEL 4

6.00 The Art of Landscape Secutiful

natural images with soothing music 6.20 Business Daily 6.30 The Channel Four Daily

9.25 Schools
12.00 The Partiament Programme
12.30 Business Daily
1.00 Sesame Street. The guest is Tracey

2.00 Pitgramages. Broadcaster Glyn Worship, who suffers from a progressive disease of the nervous system, visits hitheid Friary in Dorset as part of a pilgnmage (Teletext) 2.30 Film. Branded (1950) Slow-moving

western starring Alan Ladd as a young gunslinger persuaded to pass himself off as the long-lost son of a wealthy Texas rancher Directed by Rudolph Mate
4.15 La Fernme de Papier. A
photographer finds an old negative of a

woman's lace and is intrigued when he later sees her in town (r) 4.30 Fiftgen-to-One. Fast-moving quiz
5.00 The Oprah Winfrey Show. Extrovert
presenter Oprah Winfrey holds a
discussion with studio guests about

mothers and daughters who have become estranged 5.50 The Adventures of TinTin.

Continuing the animated adventures of the boy TinTin and his frends (r) 6.00 The Wonder Years Emmy awardwinning American sitcom which looks at lite during the Soties through the eyes of a 13-year-old boy (r)

6.30 Tonight with Jonathan Ross. The guests are photographer Eve Amold, film director Michael Winner and comedien Dennis Leary 7.00 Channel 4 News with Jon Snow and

Zeinet Badewi
7.50 Party Political Comment from a Labour party politician. Followed by Weather

8.00 Brookside. (Teletext) 8.30 Dispatches. Vincent Hanna examines the implications of the Tory examines the improvement leadership contest.

9.15 Writhout Walls: Tracks of My Tears.

• CHOICE An entertaining film which takes its cue from Paul

Gascoigne and then thankfully ignores him looks at men who cry in public An American expert Dr William Frey is brought in to supply scientific ballast. He can only offer the apparently obvious explanation that crying is the body's response to emotional stress. For the rest, we are offered an anthology of famous. cases leading to no particular conclusion. Hank Wangtord, the singing gynaecologist, remembers Johnnie Ray. The archives are mined to let us see again Gilbert Harding's historic blubber on Face to Face. There are contributions from Ken Dodd, Rabbi Lionel Blue and the England rugby captern, Will Carling Even macho sportsmen, it seems, have their emotional stresses. The second part of

Without Walls is devoted to a

about the legal constraints on

discussion chaired by Bryan Appleyard

writers Among topics covered are the

BSB GALAXY



Teartul songster: Johnnie Ray (9.15pm) Rushdie affair and invasions of privacy in biographies of the recently dead

10.15 Stoky Moments on Tour with Julian Clary. The camp Clary finds himself shipwrecked in this episode of the outrageous game show 11.00 Sex Talk: The Wider Shores. The controversial sex show examines the subject of sado-masochism

11.45 She-Play: All About Laura. Paula Kahn's first play for television tells the story of Laura (Jackie Momson) and her troubled life. Having reached suicidal depths, Laura encounters a stranger who offers her a new view of 12.00 Sid Caesar's Show of Shows (b/w).

Classic archive comedy from American wisecracker Sid Caesar 12.30am Rock Steady Specials. Marillion recorded at Lacester's De Montford Heal Ends at 1.30

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FOUR IN THE FIRST XI.

Michael Jackson, the eminent drinks writer, has recently compiled a list of Scotland's malt whiskies in order of excellence. It is called simply his 'Malt Whisky Companion', and it covers 237 separate malts, some of them of great rarity and considerable age.

It is pleasing to record that not only did The Macallan 25 year old win first-equal place, but that the 18, 12 and 10 year all covered themselves with glory, lining up proudly in the chosen first eleven (a record no other malt 'name' could begin to match!). ISN'T IT TIME YOU PUT THE

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MACALLAN INTO BOWL?

7.30 News
7.35 Morring Concert (cont):
Handel (Concerto in B flat, Op
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under Parrott, with Andrew
Lewrence-King, harp);
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Thais: Berlin PO under von Triass Benin Po Under von Karajan, with Anne Sophie Muster, violen); Mendelssohn (Symphony Nd 4, Italian; Orchestre of the Age of Enlightenment under Charles Meckernas)

8.35 Composers of the Week: Telemann. Parl 3: Impressio. Excepts from the comic Excerpts from the comic opera Der geduldige Socrates (Solosts), Savarts Vocal Ensemble; Capetie Savarts under Nacholas McGegan)

9.35 McGwedi Choice with Susan Sharpe. Beethoven (Die Himmel (Immen: Montanara Choir Tinn for pagno channet Himmel rummer: into reals Choir; Tho for piano, clarinet and celto: Carlord Benson, Antony Pay, Christopher van Kampen); Whitem Lloyd Webber (Missa Sanciae, Manas Magdalenae: Richard Listor Sannae Linder Richard Hickox Singers under Richard Hickox); Dvořák (Cello Concerto No 1 m A: Czech Professional under Neumann, with Milos Sadio); Handel (Wretchad Lovers, Acis and Gelatea: English Beroque Chorus and Soloists under Gardiner); Molter (Concerto in 9 flat: Gunita von Bahr, flute, embie): Humpei with ensemble); Humperouse, (Prelude and Dew Fairy's Aria, Hansel and Gretel: Guizerich Hansel and Gretel: Guizerich Paneel and Green Princhard, with Ruth Weiting, soprano); Mertin (Passacalier James Lancelot, organ); Wyrine (Evening Shadows Janes)

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with Meurice Andre)
1.55 User Orchestra under John
Libbock, with Barradette
Greevy, mezzo, performs
Branns (Tragic Overture);
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Janvendon Geschen); Schubert
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RADIO 3 1.05 Concert Helt: Live from Broedcasting House, London. The premist Yeon Ean Mes The pernat Yeon Ean Mes performs Haydin (Venesions in Finnor, H.XVII 6), Messasen (Le Basser de l'entant Jésus; Regard des prophètes, des bergers et des mages, from Vingt regards sur l'enfant Jésus); Kabelevsky (Sonata, No 3 in F)

2.00 Record Review: A special edition devoted to Mozzir (r)
3.10 Vintage Years: Chicago

du Nil (1) 5.30 Mainly for Pleasure with Richard Baker

Heli, London, Pierre Boulez conducts Debussy (Images); 8.10 Westing to Hear the Nightingsie. Steenhen Waleh traces the history of Stravnsky's songbird; 8.30 Stravnsky (The Nightingsie: BBC Singers, with Phylis Bryn-Lutson, soprano, as the Nightingsie).

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Franck (Symphony in D minor)
4.00 Choral Evensong: Live from
St George's Chapel, Windsor
5.00 Musicians of the Nite: Donald
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7.00 News
7.05 Thed Ear with Robert Hewison
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Hall, London, Peter Boulez

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10.45 Daily Service 11.00 News, File on 4 with reporter 11.00 Naws; File on 4 with reporter Room Lusting (r)
11.42 For All the Saints: The second of five programmes in which Roger Worsley and the Rev Brendan O'Malley travel across west Waley travel across west Waley to the ancient stimme of St David's (r)
12.00 Naws; You and Yours
12.25pm Magic Moments Part 3: Peach for the New Suni Nigel Fountiern onterprises five

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1.40 The Archers (r) 1.55 Shipping 2.00 News, Woman's Hour. The journalist and film-maker Susan Richards talks about lite in Russia; and Black Girls, an all-girl white group from North Carolina, sing imprerent songs about love and betrayal 3.00 News; The Adventures of Sheriock Holmes: A Case of

Year, makes her Christmes present selection 4.00 News 4.05 Something to Celebrate: A Rite of Pessage for the Apprentice, in the second of five programmes on special events in people's lives, a print apprendice undergoes ceremony of "banging-

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9.15 Kaleodoscope (proadcast at 4.30pm) (s)
9.45 The Financial World Tonight 9.59 Weather
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By PHILIP BASSETT, INDUSTRIAL EDITOR

down pay settlements that

have not been earned through

"As the TUC itself made clear at NEDC, and as many

powerful figures on the right and left of the trade union

movement were quick to

point out, even before the

NEDC discussions could take

place, the unions are just not in the business of delivering

wage moderation or pay

"Even if they could, they would not want to. Inflation-plus is their starting point on

He was sceptical, too, about

pay in the first three months of the year, arguing that this would do little more than

reinforce the idea of a going

rate. Instead, companies need-

ed flexibility, and might learn

from the Japanese practice of

relating pay more closely to

improvements in local labour

What employers faced now.

he said, was the need to

why their pay this year would

rise by less than last year, and

why some jobs would have to

rest. That was the real setting

raising performance.

INFLATION-plus pay settle- joint determination to drive ments are still trade unions' responsible, coordinated wage bargaining made to government and employers, a Confederation of

British Industry leader said. Geoffrey Armstrong, chairman of the CBI's employment committee, said that Britain should not look to new national institutions to solve the problems on pay facing com-

His remarks to a conference in London, organised by the Campaign for Work, follow an offer by the TUC at the last meeting of the National Economic Development Council for urgent talks to set up new, "responsible" discussions on pay, training, productivity and other issues in the wake of Britain's ERM entry. The government rejected the offer.

Mr Armstrong, one of industry's most senior personnel managers, said that industry was open to any constructive suggestions, but individual companies should not be diverted from their own efforts explain to their employees to improve performance by attempts to find insututional

He said the concept of a pay go to protect the future of the forum "at national, multisector level is all just words. for alternative proposals for unless it is accompanied by a handling pay.

Unions 'still | ECC profit cut to £86m



ECC Group, formerly English China Clays, saw pre-tax profits fall to £86.4 million (£150.6 million) in the 12 months to million exceptional item for redundancy, rationalisation and worsening conditions in

executive (above), joined from Rugby Portland Cement in April. The group is million) in the 12 months to maintaining its dividend pay-end-September, after a £32 ments with a second interim of 13p making a total of 19.6p, while forecasting a final payment of at least 4.9p a share. all the group's markets (Mar-Mr Teare defended the main-tin Waller writes). Mr Teare defended the main-tained payment. He said: tained payment. He said: Andrew Teare, the chief "We're a long-term business;

we should have a long-term dividend policy. Redundancies are part of cost-cutting instituted by Mr Teare, which will entail £250 million asset sales by end-1993 and capital spending cut by a third next year. ECC is

changing its financial year end

Lloyd's faces higher premiums

By Jonathan Prynn

THE contraction in capacity in the Lloyd's "excess of loss" market, which provides reinsurace against catastrophic losses, looks set to lead to increased reinsurance premiums for both marine and non-marine underwriters.

syndicates have been hit by a of loss, with combined losses succession of disasters since of about £250 million. the October 1987 storm. A number have been forced out of business or been unable to close years. The problem was highlighted by the failure of Feltrum Underwriting Agen-

cies, which ran three syn-

Specialist excess of loss dicates specialising in excess

The syndicates have been unable to close the 1987 year because of uncertainty about the eventual size of the losses A number of other excess of loss insurers are thought to be facing financial problems.

Erskine's UK gains lost in **US** falls

By MARTIN WALLER

ERSKINE House, the office equipment supplier, has unveiled interim figures indicating that an improvement in its British business after restructuring has been matched by a decline in the American market.

Pre-tax profits fell from £7.63 million to £6.53 million in the six months to end-September, although the interim dividend is held at 2.3p. At the operating level, profits were down from £11.4 million to £9.6 million, while the necessity to pay a dividend on preference shares issued by Erskine's American offshoot

in March saw carnings fall from 9.5p to 6.7p per share. Brian McGillivray, the chairman, said lower pre-tax profits were attributable to the non-recurrence of £1.2 million profit from the disposal of part of the lease portfolio in America last year and a £400,000 reduction because of exchange rate movements.

While pre-tax profits rose from £2.26 million to £3.25 million in Britain, more difficult trading conditions in America meant a fall from £5.21 million to £2.89 million.

Erskine shares have been effected by hoax calls made to market-makers in August and a subsequent false report that a subsidiary had gone into receivership. The price failed to recover when the true facts became known. The shares held at SOp yesterday.

Analysts are looking for about £15 million pre-tax in the current year.

BUSINESS ROUNDU

APV to allow £161 for restructuring APV, the food processing machinery manufact make about £16 million of provisions in its 199 against the cost of restructuring its operat

company's shares fell sharply in September with fli figures and a warning of gloomy prospects for the se Half the £16 million provision will be above the exceptional item and half will be an extraordinary company said it was confident that despite the prolevel of dividend for the year will be maintained. Fr chief executive, said: The APV board has taken action in implementing these restructuring measure shares fell 2p to 78p on the announcement.

Martin Currie Young & C assets down

NET assets of the Martin YOUNG & Co's Brewer Currie European Investment Trust, which was launched last February, have dipped from their initial level of 96p a share to 77.9p by the end of October. This represents a fall of 18.9 per cent compared with the sector average of 17.5 per cent. Interim ilts show a pre-tax profit of £477,000 for the six months, and earnings per share of 1.41p.

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Wandsworth, south Lonc lifted pro-tax profits fr £2.6 million to £2.69 mill in the six months to Septe ber 29. Beer volumes we ahead 5.6 per cent. Turnov advanced from £25.7 milion to £29.3 million. Trad ing profits grew from £3.0) million to £3.55 million. Earnings per share rose to 14.03p (13.15p). The interim dividend is 6p (5.5p).

Setback for Cosalt

A DECLINE in the fishing industry and industry-wide overproduction of caravans took its toll on profits at Cosalt, the ships' chandler to caravan maker. Pre-tax profits fell from £5.04 million to £3.78 million in the year to September 2, on turnover up from £76 million to £80 million.

Edward Brian, Cosalt's chairman and chief executive, said the decline in the fishing industry, resulted in lower ship chandlery profits. Earnings per share slid from 29.16p to 22.71p, but the final dividend is raised to 6.5p (6p), a total of 10.75p (10p) for the year. The shares eased 2p to 141p.

Ritz Design bucks trend

RITZ Design Group, the women's clothing manufacnurer which supplies Marks and Spencer, saw a 15 per cent advance in first-half profits from £743,000 to £855,000 in the six months to end-September, in spite of difficult conditions. Earnings rose by 15 per cent to 6.2p, while the interim dividend is improved 20 per cent to 1.6p. The shares firmed 3p to 103p.

CML raises profits 12%

CML Microsystems, the electronics components business quoted on the USM, lifted pre-tax profits by 12 per cent to £2.13 million in the six months to end-September, on turnover marginally ahead from £6.28 million to £6.31 million Earnings per share climbed from 6.7p to 7.6p, but there is again no interim dividend. The shares firmed 2p to

AIB advances 63%

FUNDS from an Ir£22 million (£20,37million) rights issue last year helped Anglo Irish Bank Corporation, the banking and financial services group, to a 63 per cent gain in pre-tax profit to Ir£6.15 million in the year to end-September. The profits were generated from a 56 per cent increase in

the group's lending to Ir£365 million. The final dividend is raised to Ir2p per share, making a year's total of Ir3.36p, up 13 per cent. Gerard Murphy, the chairman, said the bank was confident of significantly increasing its profits and earnings per share.

Midland card to be processed by El

By Neil Bennett, banking correspondent

promised in August by Sir Kit the processing department's McMahon, its chairman. The sites from the bank. bank is giving its Switch debit card processing operations to Electronic Data Processing, the American technology

Midland told more than 200 staff in Sheffield and Leicester yesterday that they will become employees of the American company from December 1. The deal was signed last

The cuts are part of 1,000 job losses Sir Kit said would take place by the end of the year and that the bank conredundant.

Electronic Data will run the Electronic Data will run the processing operations as befurther 3,000 jobs next year.

MIDLAND Bank has begun fore and charge a competitive the cost-cutting programme fee. The Dallas group will rent

EDP is one of the world's largest card transaction processing groups and is owned by General Motors. The group is believed to have been a contender to buy Signet, the jointly owned credit card processor, but its bid was refused because banks feared that it had long-term plans to issue credit or debit cards in Britain.

A Midland spokesman said that the Switch move did not affect the bank's relationship or commitment to the debit firmed yesterday will be met, card. Sir Kit announced Mid-mainly through natural wast-land's cost-cutting programme land's cost-cutting programme age. In April, the bank made after pre-exceptional profits 392 technical support staff collapsed 89 per cent to £36 million in the first half of the

New image as Air UK expands

By OUR CITY STAFF AIR UK is to introduce new

services, new aircraft, more jobs and a new uniform. The airline will be taking delivery of at least four BAe 146 jets next year to be used when it begins a three-times aday service to Aberdeen and a daily service to Nice, both from Gatwick, in the spring. Air UK is also increasing the number of its Stansted flights to Glasgow, Edinburgh, Jersey and Guernsey.

Andrew Gray, managing director, said the airline hoped to carry 2.3 million passengers next year, well up on the 1.4 million in 1988 and the estimated two million this year. The airline had 21 aircraft in 1989 and this figure would rise to almost 30 next year.

He said staff numbers next year would go up to 2,000 from 1,800 this year. New uniforms for both ground and air staff as well as

new corporate colours would be introduced during 1991. Mr Gray said Air UK would be interested in talking to American Airlines about setting up a collaborative marketing deal should the American carrier be successful in its bid to fly to New York from

Grampian up 10.6% at interim

By Jonathan Prynn

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GRAMPIAN Television, ITV contractor for the north of Scotland, has increased interim pre-tax profits 10.6 per cent to £1,2 million to end-

August. Sir Douglas Hardie, chairman, said: To produce in-creased profits for six months when advertising revenue fell by nearly 2 per cent is a creditable performance." He said that a continued downturn in revenue could threaten Grampian's chances of matching its first half performance in the latter six months of the financial year.

Profits were struck after an increased Exchequer levy of £117,000 and on turnover down 2 per cent at £10.3 million. The interim dividend is unchanged at 0.7p.

Television operating costs were reduced by 4 per cent compared with the same period last year. The property division increased profits by It per cent and let its remaining available property, Grampian Court, to BP.

The company is confident that the size and location of the transmission area will help it to retain its franchise bid, to be submitted in April next

Babcock BABCOCK INTERNATIONAL GROUP PLC

> "The Group has performed well and results are in line with our expectations. We are confident that we have another successful year before us".

> > Lord King Chairman

	FINANCIAL:	HIGHLIGHTS	
Year to		Half	Year to
31 March 1990		30 September 1990	30 September 1989
£624.3m	Turnover	£352.1m	£295.1m
£42.6m	Profit before Tax	£21.4m	£20.1m
3.0p	Dividend per Share	1.2p	1.2 p
6.5p	Earnings per Share	3.0p	3.2p
£585.4m	Orders Won	£318.3m	£310.1m
As at		A	sat
31 March 1990		30 September 1990	30 September 1989
£67.3m	Net Liquid Funds	£55.3m	£28.9m

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The results for the half year to 30 September 1990 and 1989 have not been audited The above statement of results for the year to 31 March 1990 is an extract from the Group's full accounts for that period which have been filed with the Registrar of Companies and on which the Group's accounts for that period which have been need with the register to Companies and on which the pall, year to 30 September 1989 and the full year to 31 March 1990 was prepared on the pro-forms basis as explained in the Group's accounts to 31 March 1990. The interim dividend of 1.2 pence per share will be paid in 21 January 1991 to shareholders registered on 21 December 1990.

Copies of the Company's Interim Report to shareholders may be obtained by writing

City Editor John Bell

JAMES GRAY

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TANK BEEN

THE pound slipped by 1 cent in New York to \$1,9610 immediately after the result of the Conservative party leader-ship first-round ballot was announced. Sterling had closed at \$1.9735 in London and had fallen against the mark from DM2.9040 to about DM2.8950.

Shares of British companies quoted in New York had fallen by about 15 or 20 cents each shortly after the 6.30pm leadership contest announcement confirming the need for a second ballot. In London, government bonds fell about 1/2 point on news. "It's the least satisfactory

outcome for everyone," said Alastair Ross Goobey, chief investment strategist at James Peter Meinertzhagen, chairman of Hoare Govett, the broker, said: "The City wanted a clear-cut result. It

has not got it. The market will

go lower in the morning." Court reprieve

The Dublin High Court has extended by another month its protection of Larry Good-man's troubled business. The court also granted more time to a court-appointed examiner who is seeking to assemble a rescue package for Goodman International, Europe's largest beef processor, with its 33 bank creditors. Court protection was extended until December 28, Examiner Peter Fitzpatrick has until December 11 to present his report.

Babcock ahead

Interim pre-tax profits at Babcock International Group, the heavy engineering company, advanced 6 per cent to £21.4 million during the six months to end-September. The com-pany will pay a half-time dividend unchanged at 1.2p. Tempus, page 27

Payout rises

Hazlewood Foods is raising its interim dividend from 1.8p to 2.1 a share-despite a fall in net earnings from 8.71p to 7.5p a share in the interim period ended September 30. Pre-tax profits were £22.5 million (£24.5 million) on a turnov of £286.7 million (£271.8 mil-

Tempus, page 27

THE POUND US dollar 1.9705 (-0.0010) German mark 2.9089 (+0.0023) Exchange index 94.2 (+0.2)

STOCK MARKET

FT 30 Share 1667.1 (+19.1) FT-SE 100 2115.2 (+19.3) **New York Dow Jones** 2548.02 (-17.33)* Tokyo Nikkei Avge 23205.48 (-312.68) Closing Prices ... Page 31 Major indices and

major changes Page 28 INTEREST HATES

London: Bank Base: 14% 3-month Interbank 13%-13°-e% 3-month eligible bills:13°az-13'sz% US: Prime Rate 10% Federal Funds 7°-is%* 3-month Treasury Bills 7.08-7.07%* 30-year bonds 102°°sz-1022°sz*

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GOLD

London Fixing: AM \$379.50 pm-\$380.00 close \$377.75-378.25 (£191.75-192.25) New York:

Comex \$377.00-377.50* NORTH SEA OIL Brent (Jan) \$28.80 bbl (\$29.75) * Denotes latest trading price

TOURIST RATES

Rates for small denomination bank only as supplied by Bancleys Bank PLC Different rates apply to insvellers' chaques. Retail Price Index; 153.3 (October)

Thatcher result Lending down to £4.6bn as economy slows

By Colin Narerough, economics correspondent

£4.6 billion last month from £7.5 billion in September, according to Bank of England statistics, providing further evidence that the economy is slowing down. The subdued lending sur-

prised some City analysts because companies need to finance working capital from bank borrowings.

lending to the corporate sector, suggesting "distress bor-rowing" among manufacturers and retailers, the areas hardest hit by the counterinflationary squeeze.

Although the sustained slowdown in the money supply would earlier have jus-tified a cut in interest rates, British entry last month to the exchange rate mechanism of the European Monetary System has downgraded the importance of the money agto the pound.

ERM membership now restrains the government from making base rate cuts that would allow the foreign exchange markets to force the pound outside its agreed 1982. fluctuation limits in the parity

showed that M0, the narrow money measure targeted by the Treasury, grew only 4 per cent in the year to October, down from 4.6 per cent the previous month. The measure

WPP in

further

collapse

to 115p

By JOHN BELL, CITY EDITOR

SHARES in WPP, the advert-

ising and marketing services

group, collapsed for the sec-

ond successive day amid

growing concern over the level

After a 113p fall on Mon-day, when WPP said that it

would be £20 million short of

City profit forecasts this year,

shares dived a further 164p yesterday. They closed at

115p, giving WPP a market

value of £47 million. Earlier

Neil Blackley, at James Capel, said: "WPP will have grave difficulty in repaying the

£34 million interest payment

on its seven-year \$605 million

term loan." Brian Sturgess, of

Barclays de Zoete Wedd, said:

"The decline in profits in-

creases concern about the risk

of the group. WPP's debt repayments are scheduled on a

variety of profit forecasts."

Sue Bailey, at Warburgs, said: "WPP just hasn't come

up with the goods. Margins

won't be what people hoped.

Debt is not coming down."

Analysts believe WPP may

not make much more than £65

million in 1991. Last year, group profits were £75 million

and current-year forecasts centred on £110 million be-

fore Monday. Interest cover on next year's outlook will be

above the level of 2.5 times, at

which point some loan cov-enants are at risk. WPP has

time for cost-cutting to im-

prove balance-sheet ratios.

this year they were at 715p.

of next year's profits.

BANK and building soci- is expected to fall further fidence and rising unemployety lending plunged to within the target range of ment, parts of the corporate between 1 and 5 per cent in the sector still increased their months ahead.

Simon Briscoe, UK economist at Midland Montagu, estimates that M0 growth will have slowed to 3,3 per cent this month, based on the latest respectively. weekly notes in circulation numbers from the Bank. "If

In his autumn statement, Separate figures from the John Major, the Chancellor, London clearing banks, however, gave a mixed picture of down in M0 since April as down in M0 since April as evidence that inflationary pressures were "firmly under

Inflation, which stood at an annual 10.9 per cent in September and October, is expected to fall abruptly this banks and building societies to

the private sector last month

gregates, switching the focus substantial fall against the monthly average of £5.5 billion over the last half year. Seasonally adjusted sterling lending of £15.4 billion in the

12-month figure since June Clearing bank lending to the private sector fell by less than The provisional Bank data £100 million in October after seasonal adjustment, after an overall rise of £3.8 billion in lending in September.

year to October was the lowest

While lending to the per- year.

borrowing.
Retailers and manufac-

million and £336 million

respectively.

Neil MacKinnon, chief economist at Yamaichi Secuthis can be sustained, MO rities, saw "distress borrow-could be sub-3 per cent in ing" in the figures, as December," he said. companies sought just to keep going, meet outstanding payments, or finance involuntary stockbuilding.

He expected the situation to worsen for such firms when the reported slowdown in orders fed through.

Fresh evidence of how hard high interest rates are hitting small and medium-sized firms comes from the Finance Houses Association, whose members reported a 30 per cent slump in hire purchase lending in the three months to September.

question

bear raid

suspect

By MARTIN WALLER

THE International Stock Ex-

change is expected this week

to interview an individual over the hoax "bear raid" on

the shares of Erskine House,

which led to their abrupt

The investigation into one of the earliest of the "bear

subsequently encouraged to

leave. The man is now ex-

pected to be interviewed by

the exchange's insider dealing

unit. It is not known whether

the hear calls were an attempt

at revense or at manipulating

Any prosecution would

issuing of such misleading

statements a criminal offence

Two market-makers were con-

tacted on August 21 over the

supposed share dealings and

were also told that Brian

McGillivray, the chairman,

would be selling part of his

holding. The shares then col-

lapsed from 64p to 45p before

Company directors, and Mr

McGillivray in particular,

equity, are believed to be

considering legal action against the individual in ques-

tion if criminal charges are

successful. Market-makers be-

came suspicious after they

learnt that no directors other

than Mr McGillivray owned

so many shares. Erskine's broker, Hoare Govett,

mounted an investigation and

requested a Stock Exchange enquiry into recent dealings, while denying any intention

on the part of the board to sell,

but the damage to the price

had already been done. The

shares, unchanged at 50p yes-terday, still stand below their

level ahead of the hoax calls.

Results, page 26

recovering to 54p.

the stock market.

the office equipment supplier

collapse in August.

This reduced this form of lending to £1.28 billion from £1.8 billion in the same period

Neil Grant, the FHA director, said his members have strong links with many of the small and medium-sized businesses across the country. "It is these companies that are obviously feeling the ill effects of deepening recession."

In the first nine months of this year, FHA figures show business lending at £4.46 bil-lion, a drop of 18 per cent from the same period last

sonal sector was flat, reflecting Consumer lending fell only the decline in consumer con- 6 per cent to £8.21 billion.

Growth slowdown expected by BAA By Graham Searjeant, Financial editor

Stansted, is expecting a sharp man said profits would be flat slowdown in the growth of in 1991-92. lowest rate of expansion in

BAA's airports increased by 5.6 per cent to 42 million. As recently as June, Sir Norman Payne, the chairman, expected growth to be around 4 per cent next year but BAA has lowered its sights for the full year to between 3 and 4 per cent as a result of the recession and the strength of sterling, which has led to minimal growth in recent

The opening of the new Stansted terminal next March will add about £50 million extra costs next year and, if



Stock market, page 28 | Pessimistic: Sir Norman

BAA, the airport group which this pessimistic view of air owns Heathrow, Gatwick and traffic is borne out, Sir Nor-

In the first half of this year, airline traffic to between 1 and 2 per cent next year, by far the pre-tax profits grew by 10 per cent to £205 million despite recent times. In the six BAA making provisions of months to end September, the £18.5 million against non number of passengers using airport property developments being carried out by Lynton, its property subsidiary. Lynton made a loss of £10 million against a profit of £10 million a year ago. Sir Norman said the provisions were intended to cover the developments to completion. BAA has increased its in-

terim dividend by 16.7 per cent to 5.25p per share, in line with the growth of earnings to Revenue rose by 14 per cent to £491 million but operating costs increased by 18 per cent

to £286 million. Higher costs stemmed mainly from a drive to improve levels of service at the short-term expense of productivity and partly from increased security and safety measures, which cost £55 million and could not be passed on fully.

BAA is in discussions with government and airlines to bring in 100 per cent security checks on hold baggage. Costs have not yet been worked out but will be substantial. Sir John Egan, who took over as chief executive in September, said BAA was examining detailed plans for a fifth terminal at Heathrow by the end of the century.

Comment, page

ISE set to Brewers' swap deal cleared By Ross Tieman, industrial correspondent

Powering on: John Wakeham hands over details of the electricity share price to Kleinwort's David Clementi

eries swap between Grand public houses. Metropolitan and Elders IXL, the Courage beer and Foster's lager group, has been approved by Peter Lilley, the trade secretary, subject to undertakings from the companies.

In a separate deal, Grand-Met announced it is selling 115 Berni Inns and 35 managed public houses to Whit-bread for £120 million.

raids" that have plagued the The way is now clear for stock market in recent months Courage to create a brewing is believed to have identified a empire with nearly 18 per cent disgruntled former employee, of the UK market. A 7,000 on the basis of tapes of public house chain, owned telephone calls made to marhalf-and-half by Courage and GrandMet, will be set up ket-makers which have been circulated around the comunder the name Inntrepreneur Estates. The disposal of the pany. The caller had claimed to be a director of the com-Berni Inns and the breweries pany phoning from overseas will help to trim GrandMet's and requesting the sale of gearing from an estimated 90 Some days ago a number of

thought to have made a tentative identification of the under the name for a year. voice as that of a businessman Whitbread is acquiring the who sold his company to the Berni name.

group and stayed on but was Objections from the monopolies commission to the deal between Courage and Grand-Met have been overcome by a series of concessions from the companies. However, in several respects these appear less onerous than earlier offers to the MMC. The exception is a to 20 per cent by 1992. come under the Financial seven-year limit on the period in which Courage can exclu-Services Act, which makes the

THE public houses-for-brew- sively supply the joint-owned

The cash balance which GrandMet will receive is expected to drop by as much as £100 million, to £700 million, as a result of declining public house property values and a less secure market for the breweries' output.

GrandMet will retain 1,750 public houses on its own account A further 2,797 will be sold by Courage and GrandMet. All of GrandMet's breweries will be transferred to Courage.

The companies said they were "pleased" that the deal would be allowed to go ahead on the agreed terms. Under the undertakings volunteered by the parties and agreed by Mr Lilley, the contract by which Courage will supply per cent at its September 30 GrandMet's own public house Erskine employees are year end to about 70 per cent. estate can run for four years. GrandMet is keeping 58 of The brewers had offered to that more of the issue is likely n October 1992 About 1,067 more public houses will be sold, or released from their tie.

By November 1, 1992, no more than 25 per cent of public houses in any licensing district will be tied to Courage for their beer supplies. After four years, the proportion must fall below 20 per cent. The brewers had offered to cut

Fostering Elders, page 27

Electricity ready for switch on

By OUR CITY STAFF

THE price of shares in the 12 regional electricity distribution companies, to be announced today, was handed over to Kleinwort Benson, the government's main financial adviser in the £5.2 billion flotation, on the steps of the energy department at Whitehall.

The price, received by David Clementi, a director of Kleinwort Benson, the merchant bank, from John Wakeham, the energy secretary, is widely expected to be 240p a share. The government has said the first payment will be 100p. Independent City analysts say any deviation from this price, and from the expected average yield for the 12 of 8.4 per cent, would be a shock, although government advisers kept the option of moving the price 5p. depending on market conditions.

Indications of strong public demand for the shares mean fictitious investor of government publicity, than had initially been planned.

Assuming full operation of the clawback provisions that would haul the shares back from City and overseas institutions, Frank is likely to end up with 55 per cent of the shares, against 47 per cent in the case of the water companies, floated a year ago. About 7.3 million people have registered for the shares.

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Maude out of the VAT and into fire From Peter Guilford in Brussels 1996 will be charged VAT in their would force companies to itemise every product sold across EC borders. "destination" country, as happens at THE government faces the task of present. To stop tax evaders having their goods falsely "zero-rated" for export while selling them on the home market, convincing Britain's businessmen that it has not hindered their interests by approving a new European value added all traders will have to file quarterly returns citing customers, VAT numbers tax regime. Despite warnings from the business and the total value of exports. The tax community, Francis Maude, the Treasury financial secretary, and his 11 EC authorities would use electronic data exchange to check that exports from one country tally with imports in another.

counterparts agreed a new system for collecting VAT on initia-Community trade after 1992. In the hope of placating critics who fear the scheme will increase paperwork, hamper trade and jeopardise data secrecy, Mr Maude won some elbow room to persuade business of its merits. Formal endorsement of the regime is expected on December 3. Other EC states also gave only conditional support, and some will need to assure domestic

sceptics that the scheme will not encourage tax fraud. Goods exported between 1993 and Critics fear the system could saddle

Government faces angry businessmen over tax system

British traders with more paperwork, and that it could hit smaller businesses. More regulated countries fear it could give traders a chance to ease their tax hability, while Germany is womed it might breach its data protection rules. Despite these reservations, formal agreement on December 3 is considered

Britain believes the compromise, tentatively agreed on Monday, is "much, much better" than alternative plans that

The agreement will help lift a boulder from the road to a border-free Community after 1992. But differences will resurface if Christiane Scrivener, the tax and customs commissioner, tries once again to replace the "transitional" regime with a more radical one after 1996. She still wants to have tax levied at origin, as happens on domestic sales. Britain and others fear this will force VAT rates down as shoppers from hightax countries flock abroad, depriving

To avert an exodus after 1996, the European parliament called for VAT rates to be brought closer before switching to such a regime. Euro-MPs also want a "clearing house" to compensate treasuries which lose tax revenue as a result, but governments fear this could create a

governments of a large slice of their fiscal

WALL STREET

New York BLUE chips moved slightly lower in early trading, which was largely directionless. Analysts said that in a mixed session there was little incentive for buyers or sellers. The market has been somewhat tentative despite

posting gains the last two

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sessions," one analyst said.
"Neither breadth nor volume was particularly good."

The Dow Jones industrial average was down 5.20 points at 2,560.15 in early trading. Declining shares outpaced rising shares by about four to

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Thinnest trade since August

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Tokyo SHARES closed lower in the thinnest trading since August 20. Tensions in the Middle East, static futures prices and expectations of poor showings when a flood of corporate results is released this week had investors crowding the

The Nikkei index closed down 312.68 points at 23,205.48 with a paltry 210 million shares traded.

☐ Hong Kong — The Hang Seng index eased 10.66 points to 3,031.92 and the broaderbased Hong Kong index lost 7 points to 1,988.33.

Sydney - Agreement be-tween Australia's top labour body and the federal government on a revised wage/tax deal led to an afternoon rally. The All-Ordinaries index closed 17.5 points up at 1,365.5.

☐ Singapore — The Straits Times industrial index rose 4.23 points to 1,126.98. ☐ Frankfart — Shares ended little changed in thin pre-holiday trading. The Dax index ended 0.17 of a point lower at 1,467.30 after rising cent on per

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of an early cut in interest rates.

STOCK MARKET Institutional selling ends the purple patch at Reed forecast pre-tax profits for 1990 of £40.5 million and

tional selling sent shares of Reed International, the international publishing group, into retreat to finish the session 16p lower at 365p. The message from at least

one leading securities house suggested the price may have even further to fall. Reed has been enjoying a purple patch in the past few weeks, climbing from about the 340p level to 381p. Smith

New Court, securities house, says the gains have been achieved in thin trading, but there are signs that fund managers take the view the shares are overvalued. Almost two million were traded yesterday and Smith says: "They are overvalued at this stage - too high on fundamentals." James Capel has also lowered its

In the background there has been growing unrest among institutions about BSB's recent merger with Sky. Reed has about 10 per cent of the new venture, and the shadow Independent Television Com-mission's non-committal approach is creating uncertainty in the City.

The rest of the equity narket was able to extend Monday's strong gains helped by activity on the futures market where the FT-SE 100 index December series continned to trade at a healthy

Share prices made a firm start in thin trading, although | ADT the latest money supply fig-ures -- providing further evirecession - meant that prices

almost 28 points at one stage, finished 19.3 higher at 2,115.2 in turnover that saw 518 million shares traded. The FT Bass Index of 30 shares rose 19.1 Begint intipoints to 1,667.1. points to 1,667.1.

Government securities Bue Circle sported further gains of almost £1, with dealers still dreaming of an early cut in interest rates.

Among equity leaders, ICI rose 17p to 883p, boosted by a buy recommendation from rose 17p to 883p, boosted by a buy recommendation from James Capel, the stockbroker. Enterprise Oil also rose 8p to 637p, excited by the group's recent discovery off the coast of Vietnam. But a profit downgrading by UBS Phillips & Drew, the stockbroker, left seems 7,871 Br Land 1,822 Br Paris 3,784 Br Telecm 3,784 Burnah Cast 534 Burnah Cast 534 Burnah Cast 534 Cadowy 2,773 Cetr 153 Cetr

WPP GROUP: shares plunge to new low

Reckitt & Colman 24p down at £12.54. UBS is apparently worried by the impact of the Brazilian cruzeiro on profits. It has reduced its estimate of pre-tax profits for the current 263p, as worries about the year from £243 million to group's banking cover grew.

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British Steel eased 2p to to 187p and Gold Greenlees 112½p, in the wake of a sell recommendation by Robert Trott 3p to 58p. Fleming, the securities house, reviving fears about a possible cut in the dividend during the next couple of years if conditions deteriorate further. Analysts are forecasting a drop in pre-tax profits from £733 million to £500 million for the

WPP, the advertising ag-

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ency headed by Martin Sorrell, continued to reel from this week's profits warning with the price falling 164p to 115p, for a two-day loss of Elsewhere among the advertisers, Aegis Group fell 8p

BAA, the independent airport operator, rose 7p to 384p, after reporting a healthy increase in pre-tax profits at the halfway stage with a rise of £19

Foseco advanced 4p to 283p after rejecting the bid from Burmah Castrol. The group described the offer as unwelcome and unsolicited. It

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Scantronic

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By PHILIP PANGALOS

SCANTRONIC Holdings, the

security systems group which

issued a profits warning last

month, suffered a decline in

pre-tax profits from £3.1 mil-

lion to £2.02 million in the six

Chris Brookes, chief exec-utive, blamed the fall on

disappointing British trading. He said the group was affected

by destocking from three of its major customers, which "led

to disastrous sales in August",

£3.35 million to £2.4 million,

on turnover up from £19.9 million to £24.8 million, with

nearly half of group sales

Interest payments rose from

£609,000 to £988,000, with

Mr Brookes said that £2

million has been trimmed off

the group's European cost base, which had resulted in 45

Earnings per share fell from 5.28p to 3.33p, but the interim is raised to 0.79p (0.715p).

There was an extraordinary

profit of £3.15 million, arising

from the sale of Alarm Parts,

the group's European security products wholesale distribu-

tion businesss, which was sold to Gardiner Group in August.

Andrew Harrington at BZW

shares were unchanged at 60p.

people being laid off.

gearing at about 35 per cent.

Operating profits slid from

affecting margins.

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months to end-September.

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earnings per share of 27.1p compared with £46.2 million and 30.3p. Burmah, 1p lower at 445p, said the document provided no basis to suppose that Foseco's long-term future performance will improve. Babcock International firmed Ip to 38p after reporting an increase in half year pre-tax profits of £1.2 million

to £21.3 million. Full-year figures from ECC the clay and building products group, made grim reading.

Pre-tax profits tumbled 43 per cent to £86.4 million after exceptional costs totalling £32 million relating to rationali-sation and redundancy costs. The figures were below

some expectations and re-flected a slow-down in its core business areas. The balance sheet remains strong with gearing of less than 5 per cent, although it will rise to approaching 50 per cent if the \$520 million Georgia Kaolin deal is done. The maintained dividend enabled the shares to regain an early fall to close 16p

higher at 316p. Hazlewood Foods rose 4p to 130p after reporting interim figures in line with expectations. Pre-tax profits were down almost £2 million at £22.5 million.

Goodhead Group, the printing and free newspaper pub-lisher, rose 4p to 50p. Colin Rosser, the chairman, has sold 1.33 million shares at 75p to a private investor John Madjeski, chairman of Hurst Publishing

Carlton Communications. the television and video services group, fell 15p to 327p, after briefly touching 320p, on learning that Bob Phillis, the managing director, was leaving to become chief executive The water companies at-

tracted selective support as fears that private investors would sell their stock to take up the electricity sell-off began to evaporate. Anglian rose 3p to 248p, Northmetrian 2p to 247p, North West 1p to 239p, Severn Trent 6p to 213p, Southern 4p to 215p, South West 6p to 246p, Thames 4p to 243p, Welsh 4p to 260p, Wessex 3p to 233p, and Yorkshire 1p to 253p.

Greenwich reduces losses to £1.58m

By Our Mining

GREENWICH Resources, revitalised as a mining and exploration group after a boardroom shake-up last year and shored up by September's £4.7 million rights and subscription issue, which brought in Garry Weston as a 22.7 per cent shareholder, has cut its net loss for the 1990 financial year from £2.18 million to £1.58 million.

In Venezueia, 20 kg of gold was produced from a pilot plant, indicating there could be worthwhile deposits within its concession area, and in Australia, the Paddington gold mine helped United Goldfields Corporation generate an operating income of £1.08

Total reserves and resources of Paddington have been up-graded from 3.25 million tonnes to 4.42 million tonnes. Greenwich retains an interest in the Gebeit mine in the Sudan and is to explore for gold in Greece.

The shares were steady lóp yesterday.

Rights issue

TUSKAR Resources, the Irish oil and gas exploration group, rights issue at Ir10p (9.3p) to raise Ir£8.2 million (£7.6m), Philip Pangalos writes.

Proceeds of the underwritten by the Invest-ment Bank of Ireland, will be used to repay bank debts, which stand at Ir£4,2 million. and fund the group's exploration and production activities.

Tuskar recently announced details of a \$7.5 million financial package for its exploration and development work on the Rubiales field in Colombia through a farm-in agreement with DYAS by. a subsidiary of SHV, the Dutch conglomerate.

Tuskar incurred losses of Ir£10 million for the year to end-March, against ir£84,000 losses last time. The loss includes Ir£9.85 million of write-offs linked with Middle Eastern and Irish exploration programmes. There is a loss of Irollip per share, against IrO.12p last time. Once MICHAEL CLARK The shares lost 34/19/to 14p.

LONDON TRADED OPTIONS

Tie Rack losses depress shares

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By GILLIAN BOWDITCH

SHARES in Tie Rack, the retail group, sank to their lowest level after the group cut its interim dividend on the back of heavy losses in the first half.

The shares, down 10p to 17p - valuing the group at £5.8 million - were floated in 1987 at 145p, making a group value of nearly £50 million. The pre-tax loss for the six months to August 13 grew from £272,000 to £674,000 on

sales up marginally at £21.9 million. The loss per share doubled from 0.48p to 0.95p and there is no interim dividend. Last

year's half-time payout was 0.465p. Roy Bishko, the chairman

and chief executive, said sales growth had been difficult to achieve against a background of unfavourable trading con-

In Britain, sales have been erratic and adversely affected by the slowdown in consumer spending. Trading has contin-ued to be difficult in the second half of the year and the directors expect profits for the full year to be below last year's £1.32 million.

Mr Bishko refused to say how large the American losses were, but indicated they were about the same as last time's. The group also refuses to reveal the interim interest charge, but Mr Bishko said the this Christmas.



Bishko: optimistic gearing level at the end of last year was 45 per cent and

would be lower at the end of

He also expects the group to

Stock levels have also been

Britain and 113 overseas. reduced. Mr Bishko, however, is optimistic that sales of is looking for full-year pre-tax scarves and ties will improve profits of £5.5 million. The

The group has cut costs in America and Britain and has reduced capital expenditure. There were no new shops in the period to add to the 134 in

Mr Bishko is confident of the group's long-term survival, saying: "We are not going to expire."

make a profit for the full year, and he expects to pay a final dividend that reflects the fullyear profit.

Borax plays crucial role

qualities that gives stove and at Boron, Californa. fridges their glossy surface, helps kill cockroaches, and is used to make detergents, has proved an important profit contributor for RTZ.

RTZ Borax, the mining conglomerate's 100 per cent subsidiary that incorporates the group's interests in borates, tale and silica, contributed £99 million (equivalent to 16.9 per cent) to RTZ's total 1989 auributable profit of £588 million, and £52 million, or 19.3 per cent, to this year's interim net profit.

At the turn of the century, borax was advertised as "good for baths, face washing, fighting chilblains and in curing economically viable enough epilepsy and bunions. To-challenge RTZ's position. day, borax is credited with a role and an application in more than 200 industries.

BORAX, a crystal with exotic one of the largest borax mines, chemical compound. Boric The rare deposit in the Mojave Desert lies south of borates and other compounds Death Valley. From the mine

at Boron, borax derivatives are processed for world markets. Annual sales by US Borax & Chemical Corporation top \$500 million, of which half are

The operation in California vies with deposits in Turkey, the only other viable source in the world, but still allows RTZ to claim responsibility for 55 per cent of the West's borax production. There are less significant deposits in Russia, China and South America, though none is large enough or economically viable enough to

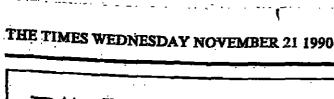
Crude borax occurs in nature as a mineral. The element boron was isolated in 1808. Since 1968, RTZ has owned The ore is refined into a pure

acid (the major constituent of eye wash solutions), processed are used in almost every major Borates are essential to agri-

culture, and significant in the bleach and detergents industries. They go into glass (Pyrex, for example) and into building materials. Because an international economic slowdown would impact on demand levels, the

scientific search for and development of wider applications for horates continues to command RTZ's backing. The mine life at Boron is conservatively estimated at more than 50 years. Meanwhile, RTZ Borax continues

to bunt for other industrial mineral acquisitions to ensure a continuing strong profits



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BAA will open its £400 million Stansted terminal and start incurring £50 million a year of net extra costs next March at just about the most awkward time possible. The BAA should find it much easier growth in volume of passengers, already down to 3 or 4 per cent this year, will fall to about 1.5 per cent on BAA's admittedly cautious estimates. The airline industry, far from being in an expansive mood to try out new routes, is in deep trouble. And the non-core activities, such as property and hotels, that Sir Norman Payne, the chairman, was relying on to fill in the growth gap have run into stormy

weather. Air UK will be adding shorthaul routes from Stansted, and American Airlines is thinking of transatlantic services. But BAA is not expecting much. In the first year the number of passengers using Stansted is budgeted to rise from 1.1 million to only 1.4 million out of capacity for 8 million. Break-even, which requires about 4.8 million passengers, will not come for four to five years.

This cloud has a silver lining:

BAA clouds have a silver lining

to argue its corner in the scheduled monopolies commission review of Southeast airports. If Heathrow, Gatwick states how well BAA's underlying ADT wants to sell about 4.5 per and Stansted were split up, the risk of this kind of development would be multiplied and extra traffic in future years would be fought over rather than fed to Stansted. The mooted fifth Heathrow terminal, which BAA is planning in detail with a view to the end of the century, would surely have to be shelved until

beyond the end of the recession. More positively, the direst outcome Sir Norman and Sir John Egan, the new chief executive, are predicting is that profits will be flat in 1991-92. That is some measure of BAA's underlying strength, which should be severely tested only if some big airlines go out of business

The 10 per cent rise in pre-tax profits to £205 million in the first half to end-September underCOMMENT cent of BAA's shares, the rest of

business was doing. A swingeing £18.5 million provision was made against a few non-airport property developments through the profit and loss account as well as an 8 per cent or £12 million writedown of non-core properties in the balance sheet. Earnings and dividends per share were still up a sixth.

BAA, like British Airways, saw volume growth virtually disappear in mid-October but start to pick up again of late. Neither may mean much at the lowest season of the year. BAA should still make about £285 million for the full year on BZW's forecast, which has been spot on so far. That would leave its shares selling at about 9.2 times earnings, oddly below the market

Mind you, Michael Ashcroft's

also doubt that there is much enthusiasm in London for a management buyout of the old Racal Electronics interests that its stake being held as cover for a would be left after the full convertible. Perhaps some of demerger of the group's 80 per BAA's smaller shareholders might like to take them up. Some cent holding in Racal Telecom, the Vodafone group, and 100 per cent of Racal Chubb, the security 750,000 investors have only 100 shares as a result of the group's business. The dismal results of last-minute popularity on privatisation. Sir Norman's next the Harris Queensway and Magnet buyouts have left many banks nursing their wounds and reluctant to take on further junk step in improving service might be to arrange a special scheme to

> Racal is unrepentant over the handling of its announcement and the concept behind its plans. It stresses that it opted for an early announcement to minimise the risks of a leak. The stock exchange is believed to have congratulated Sir Ernest Harrison, the group's chairman, on

major company accompanied by such sketchy detail. The sceptics

financing.

achieving exactly that result.
In fact Racal Electronics has

of its share price, which has frequently traded at a discount to the value of its holding in Racal Telecom. Sir Ernest sounded out his advisers as early as April this year. There were consultations throughout the summer and the advice was always the same demerge the Telecom holding.

During September, Racal sought detailed advice on the tax implications of its demerger proposals and from then on was ready to press the button to implement its proposals at any time. That the timing was a surprise is merely another way of saying that leaks were avoided.

The strategy is undeniably correct - there can be no discount if the Telecom shares are demerged. As to the feasibility of a buyout, that is a question to be addressed much later, when the Telecom and Chubb demergers are fact, probably next April. So far, Racal has received a number of offers from Europe and elsewhere to participate in the buyout. But having completed the first two moves in the deal, there should be no shareholder pressure to long been pondering the problem rush the third.

THE arrival of Andrew Teare at ECC Group, formerly English China Clays, might have been expected to promote a kitchen sink approach to the company's figures, so the profits drop came as little surprise to the market.

What did surprise, to the extent of putting 11p on ECC's battered share price, to 310p, was his staunch defence of earlier dividend levels. The final payment was maintained, accompanied by the forecast that a change in financial year end would still leave the annualised figure at the same level, and analysts were given the strong impression that 1991 payments were pretty safe, too.

The £32 million cost of 1,250 redundancies helped clip pre-tax profits from £150.6 million to £86.4 million in the year to end-September. Restructuring will eventually take about £12 million a year from the company's cost base, and Mr Teare expects to make disposals worth £50 million of non-essential businessess during 1991, as he focuses more closely on industrial minerals and construction materials.

The decision to pull out of housebuilding leaves land holdings and stock worth more than £200 million to be sold by the end of 1993, with a quarter of that possibly achievable over the next 12 months.

A \$520 million question mark - the purchase of Georgia Kaolin, now with the ties - still hangs over ECC, which badly needs the deal as a counterweight to increasing American encroachment into the European market.

1991 would offer the shares the bolster of a near-9 per cent yield; but they still look a little expensive, given that even best estimates of £125 million pre-tax put them on a rating of almost 12 times' future

Hazlewood Foods

PETER Barr's Haziewood Foods group was lucky to see its shares 8p higher at 134p on the back of interim results showing that pre-tax profits the dividend flag flying at ECC

Teare keeps



'Confidence in the future': Peter Barr of Haziewood A maintained dividend in had fallen 8 per cent to £22.5 and snacks division saw gearmillion and that net earnings ing fall from 121 per cent to 62 were 14 per cent lower at 7½p

> But then the interim dividend is raised 17 per cent from 1.8p to 2.1p a share to reflect "the board's confidence in the future". Stripped of last interim's £4.6 million of nontrading items, Hazlewood can claim an honest advance from a £20 million base and boast of an improved quality of

The recent sale for £59 stripped of non-trading items million (of which £51 million a clean £44.4 million), it will

quality, and organic growth will have started to be proved. The next financial year could TEMPUS. see profits advance to the £56.5 million level.
Some investors will still sit

on their hands until the case is seen to be proven. But mean-while, on 7.9 times prospec-tive earnings, the shares are not entirely without

Babcock International

WITH the UK's economic recession officially confirmed management at Babcock International, the heavy engineering firm, was yesterday playing the defensive stock card for all it was worth. The figures seem to justify the

At £21.4 million, after £1.75 million of exceptional provisions, pre-tax profits were ahead of most expectations. The order book for the year is full and filling rapidly for the following year.

The company has more than half its business overseas, seems to have put its Iraqi problems behind it, and is a major player in the green and, hopefully, recession-proof pollution control industry.

Perhans most reassuringly of all, Babcock has £55.3 million of cash on the balance sheet, generating £4.4 million of interest in the first half. Some analysts are even pencilling in what must be just about the first forecast upgrade in the sector this year.

An unchanged 1.2p interim dividend maintains Babcock's double figure yield, though with the payment covered only twice, there is limited scope for growth.

A consensus full year profit forecast of £45 million puts per cent. Two further, but the shares on a sector multiple planned by the end of the year. of 6.3. A re-rating is possible, given the strong income attraction of the stock, but will vince everybody that it has a workable growth strategy. Scepticism remains because be made more difficult by former FKI shareholders still on the register, and anxious to take advantage of any opportunity to cut their losses.

reach the £51 million pre-tax This fear could dampen mark at end-March (against institutional enthusiasm for an actual £57.1 million, or Babcock for the immediate future. Shares should be held for their premium yield and was cash) of the confectionery provide evidence of improved low risk.

Fostering Elders to adulthood

FOUR years ago, Elders IXL share price from below Aus\$1 with a failed bid for Allied Lyons. Management, led then by John Elliott, made an even bigger impression in the City with their larrikin behaviour, typified by the use of four-letter words at analysis meetings and the stubbing-out of cigarettes in the flat dregs of

help them top up their holdings

Crossed wires

acal's proposals for a three-way split have met a mixed

K way split have mer a reception in the City. Some

senior corporate financiers say

they have rarely seen such complex and wide-ranging

proposals for restructuring a

to a more economic level.

cans of Foster's lager. Elders was compensated by the acquisition of Courage breweries, but like many Australian companies that grew rapidly in the late Eighties, debt and fragmented decision-making took their toll and transformed the brewing, finance, agriculture and re-

Unlike many other antipodean companies, however, Elrot and in just three months the group has been trans- Elders in early last year. formed and is slowly regaining investors' confidence.

The conclusion of the controversial pubs-for-brew-eries swap by Elders and Grand Metropolitan is the

made its entrance to Britain a share to Aus\$1.61 yesterday. To put this recovery in perspective, however, shares closed at Aus\$1.61 in July, at the time a post-crash low.

The metamorphosis was heralded in March when the company said it was prepared to undergo a reconstruction that would turn Elders into a single-purpose brewing business under the banner of Foster's first leg was the merger

of Elders Resources NZFP with Carter Holt Harvey of New Zealand, to create an international forest products company with assets of more than NZ\$7 billion (£2.16 bilsources conglomerate from a lion). This was followed by market favourite into a Harlin's sale of a 19.9 per cent stake in Elders to Asahi, the Japanese brewer. Harlin is the private company set up by Mr ders worked hard to stop the Elliott and his fellow executives that bought control of

This was followed ConAgra's acquisition of the agriculture division for Aus\$300 million (£115.8 million) and Mr Elliott's resignation as chairman in favour of latest in a string of deals since Nobby Clarke, the aggressive Bank, BHP and Citibank, then August that have propelled the chief executive of National agreed to a two-year roll-over

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Concession



Elliott: thwarted by MMC Australia Bank. One big problem remains: Elders Finance's \$Aus2.8 billion loan book. The finance division has failed to attract buyers largely because of Aus\$900 million of property loans in the port-folio. As in most Western economies, the Australian tory conclusion and brought property market has been the Australian company bedepressed since 1988.

The Asahi deal saved Harlin and Elders according to Terry Povey, an analyst at McCaughan Dyson Capel Cure, the Australian stockbroker, because Harlin's big lenders, Hongkong Shanghai Bank, BHP and Citibank, then

for the remaining debt of Aus\$2.1 billion.

"But if they want to get their money out, the share price must reach about Aus\$2.25, and if there is to be anything left for any other lenders and investors, including the Har-lin shareholders, then the shares must rise to more like Aus\$3.00," Mr Povey said.

Mr Elliott, now a nonexecutive director, planned to "Fosterise" the world and tried to buy Scottish & Newcastle Breweries in 1988 to give him the extra brewing capacity to do so. Once again, he was thwarted by the Monopolies and Mergers Commission, which was busy rewriting the rulebook for the

British brewing industry.

The link with GrandMet was deemed the most sausfacfore the MMC for the fourth time in as many years.

The long-awaited pubs-forbreweries swap ends Elders' turbulent adolescence and lays the foundation for a productive adulthood for Foster's

ANGELA MACKAY

Hooke out of the doldrums

ROBERT Hooke, the stockbroker and art dealer who is attempting to sail round the world single-handed, has dismissed talk that he is about to throw in the towel. Hooke, head of Euro-equities at Banque Paribas Capital Mar-kets, arrived safely in Cape Town this week at the end of the first leg of the BOC roundthe-world race - minus a generator, autopilot and steering column. He was the last competitor to finish the 6,800mile leg from Newport, Rhode Island - something he achieved in 64 days, one hour and 37 minutes - and now has three days in which to repair his craft. "The Doldrums were the most awful place I have ever been," says Hooke, a former American marine, who spent days becalmed off the North African coast. "They were absolutely devoid of any form of life. The sea was grey, there were no birds or fish and it was intensely humid." He is now gearing up for the second - and most dangerous leg of the race - which takes entrants through the Roaring Forties and Screaming Fifties en route to their next stop in Sydney.

A PARLOUR for dogs has opened in Bodmin called Laundra Mutt.

By the book ACTUARIES, it is sometimes said, take up their craft for fear that life as an accountant

would be too dynamic and exciting. Outraged by the suggestion that they may be campaign to improve their image. A survey by the Faculty of Actuaries, based in Edinburgh, shows that they would like to be seen as challenging and influential, rather than drab and dull. "We think the public sees the job as technical, complex and lucrative," says Paul Grace, actuary at Scottish Equitable. who disagrees with the last adjective. He is critical of newspapers, which the survey says often describe actuaries as "calculating, theoretical, conservative, complicated, clinical, hypothetical, dry - or just plain dense". Of little belo is the tale of Paul Downey,



They may not be back after the break'

Smith

ional Mutual Life on January 26, 1989 - his thirtieth birthday. For in true actuarial considered boring, Britain's tradition, his predecessor re-actuaries have launched a tired on his sixtieth birthday -January 26, 1989. Gripping SIGN seen in a Relate office in

smaller, asset sales are

Hazlewood has yet to con-

net carnines a share at year-

However, if Hazlewood can

end will show a downturn.

Glasgow: "The hardest thing for most wives to get used to after marriage is being whistled for rather than at."

Põhl speak

THE Bank of England may know a thing or two about monetary policy, but has a hard time putting its ideas into plain English — as anyone who has struggled through the Bank's Quarterly Bulletin will agree. Now, some analysts in prepared under the watchful eye of Karl Otto Pöhl, its president. An avid fan is David Smith, chief economist at Williams de Broë, who says the publication is by far the best read. He likes the "coherent intellectual model" of how monetary policy works, and the political independence that allows the Bundesbank to express its views freely. Pobl, a former journalist who spent three days in London this month meeting people in the square mile, has proved his skills as a communicator in children of one City analyst who saw him on television charting to Robin Leigh-Pemberton, Governor of the Bank of England, said the German central banker spoke far better English.

IN THESE recessionary times, a West Country farmer has received this letter from his accountant: "I have just been going through your finances, and wonder how you feel about storing up nuts for the winter?"

Sharp dressers LLOYD'S of London, the

sombre heart of the insurance community, is an unlikely setting for a fashion war. But war has broken out between the ranks of marine and nonmarine syndicates over who is the better dressed. The Lloyd's underwriting community has never exactly gone in for flashy suits and colourful ties - despite the abundance of tailors and shirt-makers near No 1 Lime Street - but there the City are turning to the are always exceptions. Models Bundesbank's monthly report, of sartorial elegance among are always exceptions. Models the non-marines include Alec Sharp, a high-flying syndicate known for its love of floral ties and suede brogues. Scruffier examples on the marine side include Stephen "Major Tom" Merrett's syndicate 418 - known for its work underwriting satellites, and which has a reputation for stained suits and crumpled ties. Tom Aldridge, a deputy on Bill Maitland's syndicate 932, is a clear supporter of Hermès ties, while Chris Rome's syndicate 926 has a taste for dapper suits. Regulars at TM Lewin more ways than one. The & Sons, the nearby shirtmaker, include brokers from Sedgwick and Willis Corroon, who stand out on a dull day for their striped silk shirts and day-glo braces.

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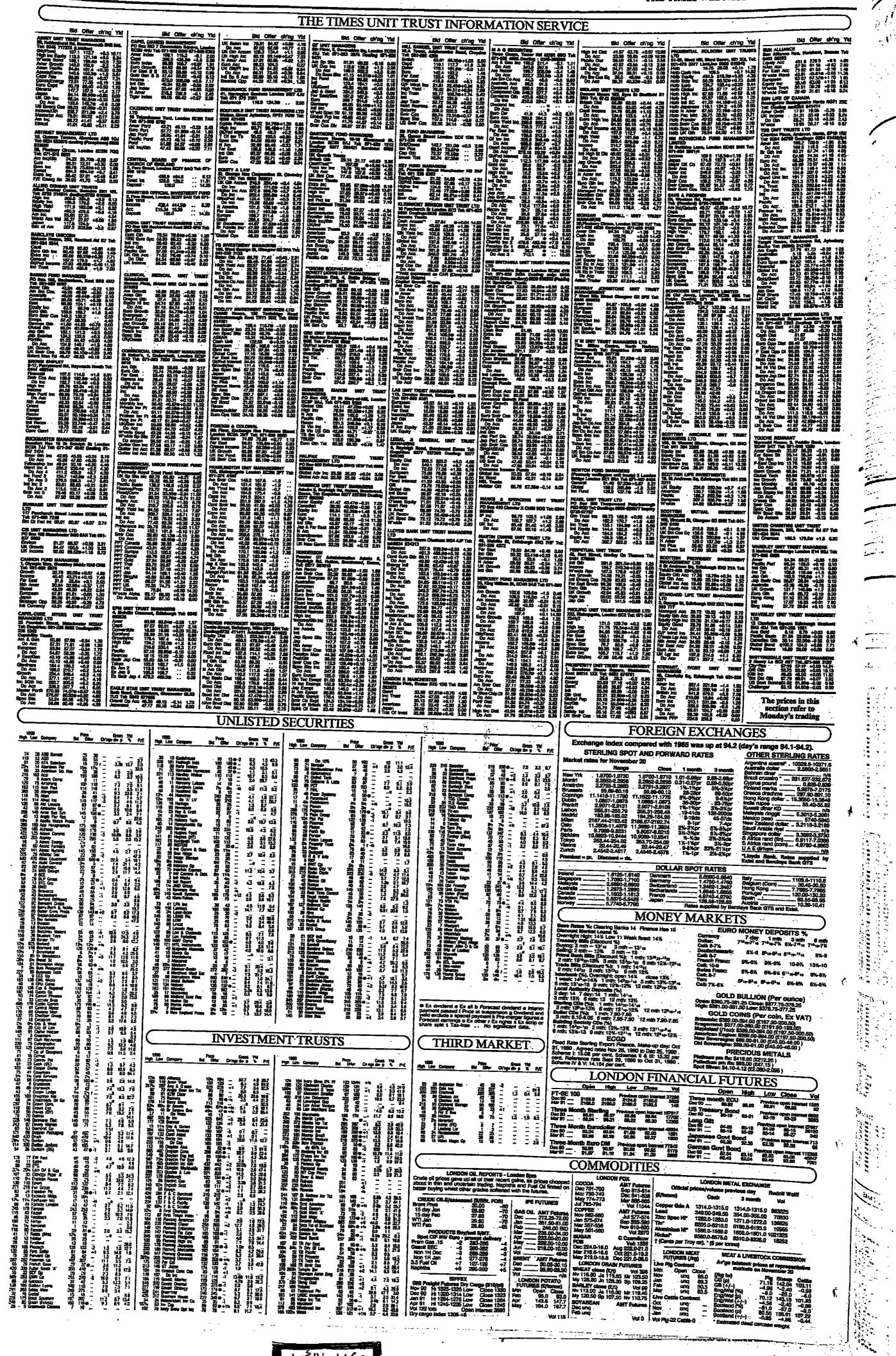
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Court of Appeal Illegitimate father wins rights order

Before Lord Justice Neill, Lord Justice Balcombe and Lord Justice Mann [Judgment November 20]

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A father of illegitimate children who had shown a degree of commitment and an attachment to them should be granted a parental rights order under section 4 of the Family Law Reform Act 1987.

The inevitable decision that his consent to the children being freed for adoption was being unreasonably withheld was not a ground for refusing him such

The Court of Appeal so held in a reserved judgment allowing a father's appeal from part of the decision of Judge Morton Jack in Slough County Court in January 1990 refusing him a parental rights order in respect of his two young children. His of his two young children. His appeal against the judge's order that the children be freed for adoption under section 18 of the Adoption Act 1976 was refused. Section 4 of the 1987 Act provides: "(1) Where the father

and mother of a child were not matried to each other at the time of his birth, the court may, on the application of the father, order that he shall have all the

Mr Philip Vallance, QC and Miss Sally Smith for the father; Mrs Helen Grindrod, QC and Miss M. S. E. McNab for the local authority; Mr Alian Levy, QC and Mr David G. P. Turner

JUSTICE LORD BALCOMBE, giving the judg-ment of the court, said that it was common ground that the appellant was the father of the two children. He was not mar-ried to the mother but they had lived together as a family unit until the two children were aged

children in the voluntary care of the local anthority under section 2 of the Child Care Act 1980. All attempts to rehabilitate them with ber had failed. However, until 1986, when it was decided that the children needed a permanent home, the father had had regular, twice weekly, access

made its applications to free the two children for adoption and shortly after the father applied for a parental rights order.

Until recent changes in the law, the father of a child born out of wedlock had only limited.

stage of the voyage ended when the vessel reached port. It was for the charterer then to

discharge her and delay in gaining a berth counted against his discharging time. If, on the other hand, the contract was to

proceed to one safe berth Lori-ent, for example, time did not

start until the berth was reached.

His Lordship thought it right to start by considering the printed Form 100 of GAFTA. Clause 3, labelled "price", had a space for a figure followed by

"gross weight, cost, insurance and freight to..." When the parties inserted a destination they generally named only a

port or ports, without any reference to berths.

port was named in or pursuant to clause 3, his Lordship did not

consider that the parties in-tended the result which would ensue with a charterparty if only

a port was named as the destination, that time started

when the vessel reached the

His Lordship found the right interpretation of the contract a difficult question, principally because both trade tribunals had

In such a case, where only a

contract not same as in a charterparty

Établissements Soules et Cie v If the contract to be construed Intertradex SA had been a charterparty there
Before Lord Justice Neill, Lord

had been a charterparty there
could be no doubt of the answer.

that those words should be used in the technical sense which they would have had in a charter-party, although that was con-trary to the findings of trade

The Court of Appeal so stated October 4, 1989 set aside a decision in their favour made by buyers, Etabiissements Soules et Cie.

LORD JUSTICE

The question in the appeal related to the financial loss resulting from that delay. Had the problem arisen in the

context of a charterparty there would have been a great deal of learning in the books to provide under a sale contract, where the question was novel one.

It came down to this: should one attribute to the buyers and sellers in their sale contract an intention to use words in the technical sense which they bore in charterparties, or in some different sense?

different sense?

The contract was concluded on June 25, 1987, between the companies for the sale and purchase of 5000 tonnes of Chinese sweet potatoes. One of the terms provided "C.i.f free out Lonent". Demurrage was set at US\$3,500 per day. Other terms included accordance with Form 100 of GAFTA.

The sellers submitted that time started to count when the

time started to count when the vessel arrived at Lorient, or at latest with the next working period after arrival, that is, October 13; so the waiting time until October 13 counted, and also the time taken in discharging, which lasted until October 22.

The buyers, on the other hand, contended that time could not start to count until the vessel

had berthed on October 13.

The first-tier arbitrators of GAFTA decided in favour of the sellers. Their award was upheld by the Board of Appeal

of GAFTA.
On appeal to the High Court,
Mr Justice Hobhouse upheld the
buyers' contention and substituted an award in their favour for US\$26,064,07 which was the full amount of their claim. The

Agricultural notice to quit valid

Crawford v Elliott

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A general notice to quit the occupancy of certain premises under the Agricultural Holdings Act 1986 did not have to refer to that Act and the court could not install a cast statutory requireimply any statutory require-ment, which was absent, to that effect. Under common law the only requirement was to make reference to the premises and to specify the requirement of possession of those premises by a

certain date.

The Court of Appeal (Lord Justice Mann and Sir David Croom-Johnson) so held on November 8 when allowing the landlord against appeal of the landlord against the dismissal by Judge Forster in Carlisle County Court on December 12, 1989 of her claim for possession of farm premises in Cumbria and his declaration that her general notice to quit served upon its occupant was

LORD JUSTICE MANN said that the occupancy had come into existence by way of permission granted in January 1975 which had been acknowledged by the occupant. It was a classic form of licence

agreement.
The question a court had to ask was whether a general notice to quit at the end of that to quit at the chit of that occupancy was quite clear to a reasonable tenant reading it and whether it was plain that that reasonable tenant could not be misled by that notice.

In re H (Minors) (Local parental rights and duties with respect to the child."

two and 13 months.
In 1985 the mother placed the

the order.

to them.
In 1989 the local authority

Meaning of words in

A contract to proceed to Lorient had the effect that the carrying Justice Stocker and Lord Justice

Judgment November 8]
Parties saying "... free out
Lorient" in a sale contract were
not to be taken to have intended

in dismissing an appeal by Intertradex SA, the sellers, from Mr Justice Hobbouse who, on the Board of Appeal of the Grain and Feed Trades Association (GAFTA) who had upheld the findings of first-tier arbitrators in the sellers' dispute with the

Mr Duncan Matthews for the buyers: Mr Mark Havelock-Allan for the sellers.

STAUGHTON said that the motor vessel Handy Mariner arrived at the port of Lorient in France on September 30, 1987. She had to wait for a berth until October 13, owing to congestion in the port, before the cargo could be discharged.

found in favour of the sellers.

They must therefore have considered that the parties did indeed intend, when they named Lorient as the destination, that the consequence had been named as the destina-tion in a charterparty. Although the question was one of law for the court, weight

always had to be given to the opinion of trade arbitrators. That was particularly important when considering whether trad-ers were likely to have used words in a particular technical

mse. Nevertheless, like the judge, to telebin concluded in the his Lordship concluded in the end that the parties did not intend to alter what he considered to be the effect of naming a port as the destination in Form 100.

To undertake a liability for

demurrage while the vessel was in port but waiting for a berth would be an open-ended commitment in a contract for the purchase of what must probably be a part cargo.

It would also be open-ended for a full cargo but in the case of a part cargo the problem was worse and the result might be capricious. The buyer did not know when he made the contract how much other cargo would be carried in order to share his liability pro rate, unless some or all of it had been

discharged at a previous port.

His Lordship would require rather clearer words before assuming that the buyers had assumed such a liability in the

Lord Justice Stocker agreed and Lord Justice Neill delivered a concurring judgment. Solicitors: Holmes Hardingham; Middleton Potts.

Privilege lost after papers were disclosed

Black & Decker Inc v Flymo

If a privilege was a right to refuse to disclose, then it was impossible for such a right to be asserted in respect of a document which had already been disclosed.

Mr Justice Hoffmann so stated in the Chancery Division on November 13 on a motion by the defendant for specific discovery in a patent infringement action relating to a wheeled rotary lawnmower in which the defendant which the defendant counterclaimed for revocation on the ground of obviousness. Pursuant to directions, an exchange of witness statements had taken place in accordance with Order 38, rule 2A of the

Rules of the Supreme Court. HIS LORDSHIP said that once a document had passed into the hands of the other party the question was no longer one of privilege but one of admissibility.

Despite Order 38, rule 2A(8)

which provided: "Nothing in this rule shall deprive any party of his right to treat any communication as privileged or make admissible evidence otherwise inadmissible" his Lordship refused to treat the universe of the fused to treat the winess state-ments as privileged and made an order for discovery of documents relating to a proposed new lawnmower shortly to be

of section 4 was not intended by Parliament and would be conset out to equate such a father with the father of a legitimate trary to the whole purpose of the 1987 Act.

child: he could apply for an order giving him all parental rights and duties with respect to There was some force in the cided on the merits that, even In considering whether to make an order under section 4 if the father had a locus standi to oppose the order freeing the children for adoption, his conof the 1987 Act the court had to take into account a number of factors including the commitsent to that order would be ment the father had shown, the degree of attachment existing unreasonably withheld, there would be little point in making an order giving him parental rights which would instantly between the father and child and the reasons for his applying for thereafter be taken from him. Here the father could not offer However, the judge's atten-

the children a home: what he wanted was continued access. tion had not been drawn to sections 19 and 20 of the The judge had formed an unfavourable view of him, describing him as unintelligent, Adoption Act 1976 which gave to a former parent of the child certain limited rights after the making of a section 18 order.
Those sections justified making a parental rights order in favour of the father, notwithstanding a self-regarding and as having not much to offer as a parent". But he was wrong in holding that section 4 was only intended to operate if all the parental rights which were to be granted decision immediately thereafter to dispense with his consent to to the father were immediately capable of being exercised by the making of an order freeing the children for adoption.

The judge was wrong to refuse the father's application on the grounds that he gave. The facts demonstrated a degree of commitment to the children and As Mr Justice Ward pointed out in Hereford and Worcester City Council v D (The Times November 2) parental rights and duties included both legal an attachment between him and them amply sufficient to justify custody and a right of access. his being given a locus standi of the hearing of the local authority's application for an order freeing the children for Yet a parent who had custody would not need a right of access.

would not need a right of access.

If the judge's construction was right the father of an illegitimate child who was in care would only be entitled to apply for access under Part IA of the Child Care Act 1980 if he already had a parental rights order made before the child was taken into care hereway. adoption. However, on the evidence before him the judge could have come to no other finding than that the father's consent to an adoption order was being un-reasonably withheld under sectaken into care because, ex hypothesi, he would not be tion 18(1)(b) of the 1976 Act. Solicitors: Winter-Taylors, High Wycombe; Griffiths Robertson, Reading; Mr An-thony T. Evans, Bracknell. entitled to custody so long as the care order subsisted. Yet up to the moment the care order was made the father may have

Same issue rights in relation to the child. But the Family Law Reform Act 1987 and the Children Act 1989 So restricted an interpretation tried twice

Thomas v Attorney-general of Trinidad and Tobago

The existence of a constitutional remedy did not affect the application of the principle of where solicitors mistake res judicata, the Judicial Comres function the Privy Council (Lord Bridge of Harwich, Lord Goff of Chieveley, Lord Jauncey of Tuilichettle, Lord Lowry and Mr. Justice Telford Georges) held on November 13 dismiss ing an appeal by Mr Endell Thomas from order of the Court of Appeal of Trinidad and Tobago ruling that declarations sought by him were res judicata previous proceedings ([1982]

AC 113). LORD JAUNCEY said that

when a plaintiff sought to

higate the same issue a second time relying on fresh propo-sitions in law, he could only do so if he could demonstrate that special circumstances existed special circumstances existed for displacing the normal rules. No valid reason for not raising the constitutional issues in the first action had been advanced. Their Lordships agreed with the reasoning of the Supreme Court of India in Daryao v UP ((1961) I SCR 574, 582-3) in rejecting a submission that respection for redress in respect of petition for redress in respect of an infringement of fundamental rights under the Indian constitu-tion: "It is in the interests of the

public at large that a finality should attach to ... decisions ... and ... that individuals should not be vexed twice over with the same kind of litigation. If these two principles form the foundation of the general rule of res judicata they cannot be treated as irrelevant or inadmissible even in dealing with fun-damental rights

Amending writ to correct name of plaintiffs Owners of Sardinia Sulcis v tiffs had ceased to exist without

Owners of Al Tawwah Before Lord Justice Lloyd, Lord Justice Stocker and Sir George

Where solicitors mistakenly issued proceedings on behalf of a plaintiff company which had ceased to exist as a result of a merger, the writ, although initially a nulliry, could be amended under Order 20, rule 5(3) of the Rules of the Supreme Court to indicate the correct plaintiffs since the solicitors' mistake had gone to name rather than to identity.

That being the case, the better view was that such an amendment related back to the date of the writ, so that there never was

a non-existent plaintiff.
The Court of Appeal so stated when dismissing an appeal by the defendants against an order of Mr Justice Sheen made on July 19, 1989 whereby he granted the plaintiffs summons to correct the name of the plaintiffs and dismissed the out the plaintiffs' action.

Mr Hugh Bennett, QC and Mr Mark Templeman for the defen-dants; Mr Jeremy Cooke, QC, for the plaintiffs.

LORD JUSTICE LLOYD said that Mr Cooke had not, of course, been able to challenge the principle established by Lazard Bros & Co v Midland Bank Ltd ([1933] AC 289) that a non-existent party could neither sue nor be sued. Nor had he sought to do so.

sought to do so.

If the plaintiffs could bring themselves within the provisions of Order 20, rule 5(3), the principle of that case had no application. The defendants could not argue that the plain-

begging the question, in other words without presupposing that the court would not exercise

its powers to amend Order 20, rule 5 provided: "(3) An amendment to correct the name of a party may be allowed ... notwithstanding that it is alleged that the effect of the amendment will be to substitute a new party if the court is satisfied that the mistake sought to be corrected was a genuine mistake and was not misleading or such as to cause any reasonable doubt as to the

intended to be sued." In Evans Ltd v Charrington & Co Ltd ([1983] 1 OB 810) the plaintif had applied for a new tenancy under section 29(3) of the Landlord and Tenant Act 1954. He had thought his land-load and Co Load and lords were Charrington & Co. In fact they were Bass Holdings

identity of the person intending to sue or, as the case may be,

Lord Justice Waller had held that that was not a mistake in that that was not a mistake in the name. It was a mistake as to identity. The majority had taken a different view. Lord Justice Griffiths had said (at p825): "The identity of the person intended to be sued is of course vital. But in this case I

have no doubt that the identity of the person intended to be sued was the current landlord, Bass. The wording of the rule makes it clear that it is not the identity of the person sued that is crucial, but the identity of the person intended to be sued, which is a very different

In Thistle Hotels Ltd v Sir Robert McAlpine & Sons Ltd (The Times April 11, 1989) the question had arisen in relation to an intending plaintiff. In 1979

owned by Scottish and Newcastle Breweries, but op-erated by a dormant company

Court of Appeal

called Thistle Hotels Ltd.
The solicitors acting for the intending plaintiffs had chosen to sue in the name of Thistle Hotels Ltd. Lord Justice Russell, with whom Lord Justice Mann had agreed, had held that it was a mistake as to name only. Returning to the facts of the instant case, there could be no reasonable doubt as to the identity of the person intending to sue, namely, the person in whom the rights of ownership had been vested when the writ had been issued.

It followed that the solicitors' mistake had been a mistake as to name and not a mistake as to

Considering the defendants' summons in the light of those conclusions, his Lordship said that he had assumed that an amendment under the rule to correct the name of a party related back to the date of the

by Mr Justice Hirst in Katzenstein Adler Industries (1975) Ltd v Borchard Lines Ltd ([1988] 2 Lloyd's Rep 274), following an observation of Lord Justice Brandon in Lift v

Peasley ([1980] I WLR 781).

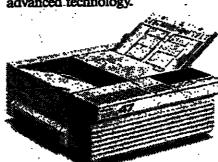
That was, his Lordship thought, the better view, although the point was not at all easy and had not been the subject of any argument before the court. If it was right that the amendment related back, then there never was a non-existent plaintiff.

Lord Justice Stocker and Sir George Waller delivered concurring judgments. Solicitors: Lloyd & Co; Rich-

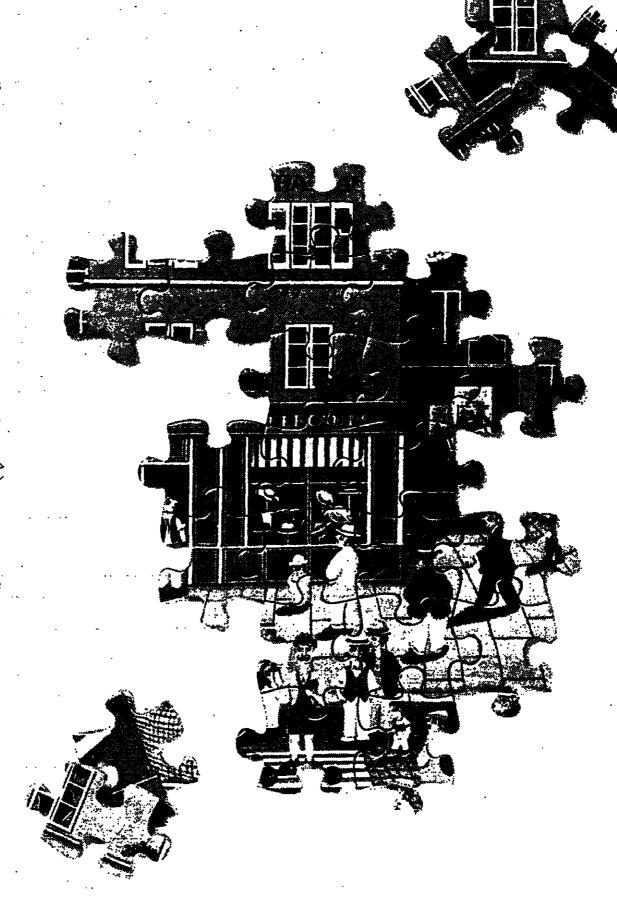
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The personal touch is the key to motivation at work

tion has under-gone more reevaluation in the past three years than at any time since the Fifties. A vital part of this reform has been the attempt to understand the role that managers play in helping organisations to achieve their objectives.

One of the most important findings, on both sides of the Atlantic, is that managers are distinguished not only by their understanding of functions such as marketing, finance, and research and development, but also by their personality and behaviour.

A recent survey of leading American and European managers by the Cranfield School of Management, in Bedford-shire, found that personal skills are the most important in helping executives to shape the vision and future of their

Executives who excelled: • have tact and sensitivity in managing people and teams; • clearly communicate the mission of the organisation and the objectives to be

• make themselves available to receive feedback: behave in ways that support the policies and objectives they wish others to adopt.

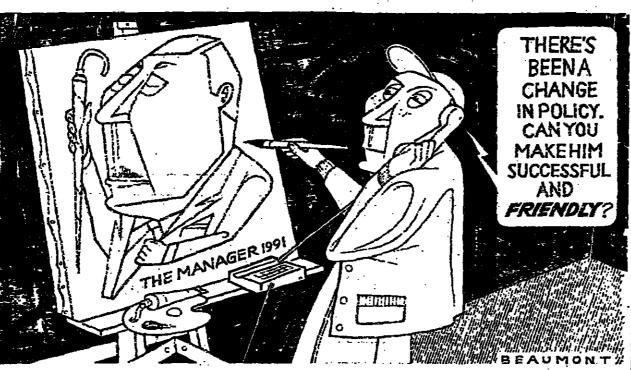
Good teamwork was found to be critical. Professor Andrew Kakabadse, the author of the survey, says that in a versity, complexity and change, the senior managers' ability to work together to achieve a common vision was

"Respect for each other and a sense of maturity are important attributes," he says. Executives need to recognise that contributions from people who think and feel differently from themselves are equally valuable in any strategic debate.

This becomes even more important in multinational companies, where an openness to other cultures and attitudes is a prerequisite to commercial success.

The difficulty for management schools is that it is far easier to teach management trainees the basics of marketing and finance than it is to influence their behaviour.

Dr Lynda Gratton, an assistant professor in organisbehaviour at the London Business School, argues that senior managers will acquire the right personal attributes only through a pro-



Tactful managers who understand people and persuade staff elopment? Management ex-perts such as Charles Handy to work in teams will reap big rewards, Michel Syrett writes and Bob Garrett, the author of

cess of job rotation, secondments, personal assess-ment and individual trition. managers who are canable of Dr Gratton says: "Many oung people entering organisations with high-flying talent more ways to open up an individual's mind than plac-

will fail to reach positions of seniority in 15 to 20 years' time because development programmes have provided them with the wrong skills, or the career framework is too rigid to let them grow in the vay they would like." Experience suggests that

employers will succeed in providing managers with complex qualities, such as leadership, vision, lateral thinking and openness to change, only if they understand how people learn as well



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executive of the mana Ambrosetti and a former deputy director of the consortium MBA of the City University. "Formal management courses have their place, but the options open to trainers are

often far wider than they realise," she says. "Many organisations find second-



Dr Lynda Gratton: Many fail to reach seniority

exhort companies to create "a culture of learning", in which managers play a part in identi-fying their training needs and ways to fulfil them. promotes their personal

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to John Chadwick, the

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Wendy Hirsh, a senior re-

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University, argues that self-

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Ms Lammiman's views are supported by a recent report published by the Centre for the Study of Management Learning for Voluntary Sereducation consultancy vice Overseas (VSO), which suggests that key attributes, such as problem-solving and creativity, can be acquired more easily on a VSO assignment than through many kinds of short management

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Prof Andrew Kakah oness and attitudes

International schools capture global market

Business schools and management centres are finding it hard to keep pace with the revolution caused by internationalism, new technology and changing social attitudes (Michel Syrett

global companies is the most urgent problem. Many leading business schools are less international in their outlook and culture than their multinational clients. Business education institutions such as Insead in France and IMD in Switzerland are the preferred choice of many senior executives because they are seen to. provide a more cosmopolitan their competitors.

The Master's Degree in Business Administration (MBA) programme that started at insead in September, for example, was made up of students from 35 nationalities, of whom 16 per cent were British, 16 per cent French, 12 per cent from the United States and Canada, and the remainder drawn from regions including Scandinavia, central Europe and Asia.

National schools, such as London, Manchester and Cranfield, near Bedford, Iese and Esade in Spain and Bocconi in Italy, have only recently started to recruit or exchange faculty and students in significant numbers.

Ten years ago, British schools were less committed in the way they exchanged faculty and students with counterparts abroad," says Professor Leo Murray, the director of Cranfield School of Management. "Many of us are now doing this more systematically as part of an effort to become more international, but this is not something that you can achieve overnight."

The best business courses now mirror the world concerns

of multinationals Keeping up with the management training needs of launched a joint MBA programme with Groupe ESC Lyon, a leading French business school Similar ventures are becoming common. Ashridge Management College at Berkhamsted. Hertfordshire, has joined with the Universitats seminar de Wirtschaft, in Cologne, and the Centre de Perfectionnement aux Affaires, in Paris, to launch a trans-European programme managers. Henley Manage-

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modular MBA, enabling stu-

dents from abroad to study completing their education in the ÙK. Technology is another blind spot, "Few business degrees cover much technology and hardly any MBAs or execin this area, says Professor Ray Wild, the principal of Henley Management College and the editor of the recently published book Technology and Management. "As a re-

> technology and business." Tom Cannon, the director of Manchester Business School, agrees. The great black hole of management education is the whole field of manufacturing. Research and development, and technology management are desperately

sult, it is rare to find one

person that understands both

Above all, business schools have been fighting a running battle to shake off the most damning criticism made of

them - that their open and

based on functional special-isms, and are little more than . a collection of disparate inputs from tutors whose knowledge s confined by narrowly-defined faculties.

Henry Mintzberg, a leading management guru, of McGill University, in Canada, who is currently working at London Business School, regularly accuses American lecturers of being "second-rate academics obsessed with case studies rather than real life". He also sees management training of post-graduates as a useless exercise unless they have had three years' work experience.

Professor Charles Handy. the author of the 1987 report on management education. which set in train many of the current reforms, is also con-cerned. "At a senior level, I do not think business schools or the main management centres pay enough attention to examining the way people

learn," he says. "They spend too much of their time teaching skills and not enough acting as centres of learning, providing a utive programmes offer much reflective atmosphere in which experienced manage can organise their

> iticisms such as these helped shape the think-ing of Dr John Hendry when he was asked to design the MBA programme for the new business school at Cambridge University. Three terms at Cambridge will be interspersed with two month periods at work.

"Management is an tensely practical activity in which the most significant learning often occurs through experiences at work," Hendry says. "We hope to provide students with the opportunity to test the skills they acquire in real manage-



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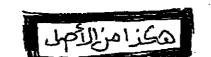
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New ways to teach the East

Europe's emerging democracies need management training, but perhaps not in the western style, Widget Finn says

British colonies in pink. The British Empire has gone, but are we adopting a colonial approach to castern Europe, assuming that a style works for us is right for them?

Given the speed of change and the demand for management programmes in eastern Europe, there is a temptation to offer ready-made training packages. Graham Milborrow, the director of professional development at the British Institute of Management, found that even training material that requires no pre-vious knowledge in the subject needs modifications.

"We created a programme for young Polish managers using newly designed British Institute of Management material," Mr Milborrow says. We soon discovered that it tacitly assumed a value structure, such as the morality of pany, also stresses the need to

The first stage in competence

training for managers has been achieved. This au-

tumn, in polytechnics and colleges, through distance learning

and at work, more than 2,000 managers are taking part in ap-

proved programmes — 25 so far — based on new national standards.

The programmes, endorsed by the Management Charter Initiative

(MCI), which is the operating arm

of the National Forum for Manage-

ment Education and Development

(NFMED), are for the certificate

level of management. "It is now

ast year's map of western. The underlying cul-Europe is as out of ture has to be addressed before ture has to be addressed before date as an atlas with one can start at skill and expertise levels."

> Professor Bertram Pockney introduces managers to the business cultures of eastern Europe at the Centre for International Briefing, at Farnham Castle, Surrey. He detects a lingering British view that foreigners are all the same. "British businessmen tend to regard eastern Europe says. "Patterns of history and the influences of the Austro-Hungarian empire and German-Prussian domination are still strong, so that the busi-ness and social cultures vary enormously in every country. Russians have everything to learn about enterprise,

ing it for years." Anatoly Kanashenkov, the general director of Phazotron, the Soviet electronics comprofit, which was entirely overcome cultural differences

while the Armenians and

Georgians have been practis-



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and visited organisations to estab-

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Research has been followed by a

year of extensive trials to refine the

guidelines of the certificate pro-

grammes. Managerial levels will

now be marked by a certificate, a

diploma and, later, a senior award

for strategic management. At certifi-

cate level, awarding bodies include

the Council for National Academic

Awards (CNAA), the Business and

and the importance of working alongside western training experts to create learning pro-grammes. Mr Kanashenkov recently attended a general ment course on the Soviet Union's electronics in-dustry at the Cranfield School of Management. The course was a learning process for both sides, and future programmes will be designed in response to the growing Soviet under-standing of western business

and its own training needs.
A sensitivity to local business culture and training requirements is essential, but even the best designed programme could have a limited market. The old imperial view that all foreigners speak Eng-

A standard for managers

from the shopfloor to the board-room," says Pat Sloane, an MCI

executive director, who is respon-

sible for guidelines for the certificate

effective manager, a £2 million research project was carried out, backed by the Training Agency and employers. Mike Day, the executive

To determine the skills of an

lish - and if they do not, they should - has not disappeared. English is the main international language of business, but there are a number of levels of management in European countries where the courses will have to be taught in the local language. Money from the govern-ment's Know-How Fund is

being used to translate distance learning packages, but programmes in British management schools are conducted in English with simultancous translation. An ingrained British atti-

tude leads to patronising others on the basis that different means inferior.

of Kingston Polytechnic, business education and adopt Surrey, gives a warning against underestimating our eastern European colleagues. "These people come from countries whose educational levels, particularly in math-ematics, philosophy and simi-lar disciplines, are very high," he says. "Now that they have access to our technology and management training their potential for development is

enormous. We must not be complacent. Perhaps we are also being emplacent in assuming that the western approach to business learning is appropriate for different commercial climates. Eastern Europe offers

a training system that could leapfrog that of western countries. This is the message from Central European Investments (CEI), a consultancy business education and training strategies in eastern Europe have been received with enthusiasm by the Hungarian finance ministry.

There are seven business schools in central and eastern Europe, and in Poland 1,000 students annually are receiving education to MBA, accountancy and MIS standards. The CEI estimates that within five years, 421,000 people a year could require business education in Poland.

Technician Education Council (BTEC) and the Scottish Vocational

Education Council (Scotvec). The same process will apply for the diploma. The standards are established and Sheila Perry, the project manager, has found nearly 50 providers — universities, poly-technics, professional institutions and large employers such as Jaguar and British Telecom - which will test the programmes early next year. They should be in action by next

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Small business (1)110: to play a role

The government has established 80 enterprise councils throughout Britain to give a local perspective to training

intervention in training, the government has decided to hand over the responsibility to the people who should know best: the

local business community.

The Training and Enterprise Councils (TECs), following the disappearance of the Training Agency, formerly known as the Manpower Services Commission (MSC) and then the Training Commission, represent a radical revision of the way training thould be managed.

The network of 80 TECs, and local enterprise councils in Scotland, will soon be in place, two years ahead of schedule. Most important decisions about training will be taken at this local level. Exactly how much TECs will do for management training is difficult to predict. A

priority will be youth training schemes, concentrating on young people and the less skilled. Management training. by contrast, will be more discretionary and it may be that only the most determined make headway in this field. intended to be entre-

preneurial, TECs are mostly developing a market-led approach to training based on analysis of their area's skills needs. Many of them are striving for quality assurance registration with the British Standard, BS5750.

The arrival of the manage-ment standards of the Management Charter Initiative (MCI), which is the operating arm of the National Forum for Management Education and Development, should also make a difference. In October. Roger Dawe, the then director-general of the Training Agency, said: "Looking ahead. the role of TECs and their contribution to human resource development, and management development in particular, will be vital. There is a similarity of mission between TECs and MCI and their networks will need to

work together to tackle local Yet it is bound to take some time for the standards-based approach to management to be adopted as the principal method of training and in the short term the TECs may be at their most effective by acting as catalysts. Northumberland

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fter 17 years of direct Tech (NTEC), for example, is setting up a number of business clubs as a way of building networks between employers and managers. The TEC in Somerset is working with the chambers of commerce to strengthen their role as the

voice of local business One of the initiatives that TECs will foster is good neighbourliness between local organisations so that, for example, a large employer would be encouraged to offer any "spare" places on its management training programme to managers from

smailer employers. However, TECs will be judged on whether they can deliver accessible, affordable and appropriate training for managers on a wide scale. The answer could lie in flexible learning. At the third national TEC conference, held in Brighton early this autumn, Sir Geoffrey Holland, the permanent under-secretary at the employment department and a former head of MSC. said in his speech that when the numbers are large enough, flexible learning can be cheaper and more effective than conventional training. It also gives managers the convenience of being able to study at the time and place of their choice,

In light of this, it is not surprising that NTEC, which went live in September, is customising the Open Colleges package. The Effective Manager, for a national market.

pen learning centres are likely to be another Potentially, local management colleges, polytechnics and other training providers could work with the TECs to devise managers' courses, materials and tutoring systems.

Another development could

be a training voucher scheme, suggested to the TECs by Michael Howard, the employment secretary. "Giving more choice is the best way forward. I encourage all of you to consider ways in which you might apply the concept of training vouchers." Mr How-ard said at the conference. If management training is

not among voucher pilots. then a worthwhile opportunity will have been missed.

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against national standards," Sir Bob Reid, the chairman of NFMED,

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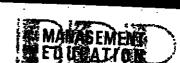
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The environment will be an integral part of manager training in the Nineties, Patricia Tisdall writes

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the environment will be one of the main topics on the manage-ment agenda in the Nineties. Evidence that businesses are preparing to add cash to good intentions emerged at the annual conference of the Confederation of British Industry (CBI), held in Glasgow this month. Delegates, who do not usually support changes in business methods that are imposed by Parliament, voted unanimously in favour of a motion saying the additional burdens placed on companies by environmental legislation were entirely justified.

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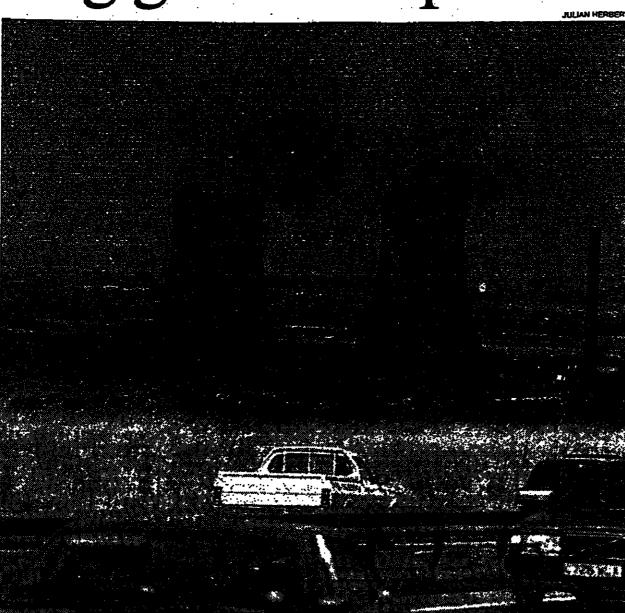
Developments that are expected to affect training requirements include a move away from "end-of-pipe" pollution control to waste minimisation and recycling techniques. This will involve the dissemination of environmental management skills throughout the workforce so that they become an integral part of the production process. A recent study into the labour market implications of environmental management, produced by the Training Agency's skills unit, found senior managers lacking in their awareness of environ-

mental issues and legislation. Concepts that have spread from the European Community and the United States and are reflected in impending UK legislation have important implications for British companies. These include the principle that "the polluter pays" and a consciousness that waste management is a "cradle-to-grave" affair.

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The study concluded that there was a "lack of properly targeted and specialised short courses", and predicted that demand for training would

Two schools of thought are reflected in the business education programmes on offer, The approach developed at the London Business School, a rett, the economist responpioneer in environmental management education, starts by pointing out the benefits and costs to the company. Students who include envir-



Balancing the issues: Didcot power station on the day the government launched its environment white paper

onmental economics as part of lated demands. He says cannot start," says Scott Bar-

sible for the course. Mr Barrett is sceptical about recent media hype, which he says had led to muddled thinking and poorly articu-

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their MBAs are advised to managers should apply the begin by finding out what the law requires. "Unless you know the ground rules you to any other aspect of business, and believes it is up to governments to set the

> The course moves on to the benefits of setting a virtuous environmental policy. The global aspect of environmental concern can provide competitive advantages. Suidents are shown bow strategic points can be won from anticipating anti-pollution legislation and building it into

Another approach, advocated by the CBI's environment certain about the level of management unit, is the "green audit", which starts has prompted the scheduling with an evaluation of the of three more workshops, to umpact of every organisation on the environment. The andit is described by John Elkington, a leader among a growing band of environmental consultants, as 'a management tool comprising a systematic, documented, periodic and objective evalu- Environmental Mana

One of the few organisations to offer external courses specifically on environmental topics is the Sundridge Park Management Centre. Its three-day residential "Going Green for Profit" workshop was jointly organised with the PA Technology consulting group.

Awareness of issues has accelerated since the publication of the government's white paper on the environment in September and the subsequent debates on the environment protection bill. In May, when Sundridge Park launched its workshop, Cate Savage, the programme director, was undemand. Yet its popularity

Ms Savage says that enquiries have come from organisations ranging from cosmetics and toiletry companies to local authorities and individ-

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Training then becomes part of a general internal drive for sultancy, 28-34 Albert Street, Burmingham B4 7UD, £15.

Ithough business schools in Europe Aschools in Europe boomed during the Eighties, a significant change was taking place in company attitudes towards the business school style of management

Companies have become more self-confident in analysing what they need from providers of management development programmes, and are demanding that their needs are met. One result has been the growth of organisations providing management education tailored to specific companies' needs.

These range from manage ment consultancies and large European concerns, such as Management Centre Europe and the Ambrosetti group, to small, highly specialised training consultancies such as Harbridge House, the TDA Consulting Group and the Management Training Part-nership (MTP), all in Britain.

Training consultancies de-sign specific development programmes for companies. They are almost a direct reversal of the traditional business school open, or public, management development courses, which make a virtue of mixing managers from different companies and cultures and providing general and wide-

ranging education.
Training consultants can provide highly sophisticated programmes. Harbridge House, for example, has devised a comprehensive programme with Simon Engineering that includes 11 modules for senior management. This counts as 45 per cent of an MBA with Sheffield **Business School**

The content of the modules was developed by Harbridge after meetings with Simon Engineering's senior managegeared to company policy. Similarly, TDA provides what it calls "strategic learning", which matches tailored training programmes to planned

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ing management programmes. The polytechnics are also moving into this area. George Wimpey, the construction group, is working with Ealing College, part of the Thames Valley Polytechnic, to develop a tailored diploma in management administration that may become a "Wimpey MBA".

These changes, and the implications for increased competition, have not been lost on the business schools. Although a few still refuse to be involved in tailoring courses to companies, many have embraced the idea. Several schools now encourage managers taking courses to use material from their company in their studies. Henley Management College, for example, is closely involved with a number of company and consortium MBAs and has a unit to deliver companyspecific courses.

Dominique Heau, the associate dean for executive education at Insead, near Paris, argues that business school courses will become much ment and the programme is more a mixture of companytailored programmes and open courses.

IMD, in Lausanne, Switzerland, another leading international school, is looking at strategic changes within an ways of delivering pro-

grammes that blend open courses, tailored learning and in-company consultancy.

At Ashridge, in Hertford-shire, the developing manager skills programme is being redesigned to include some of the ideas that have been promoted by training consultancies. The programme is based on small self-development groups in which the members help one another to identify their training needs. Every individual then drafts his own self-development plan, which tailors the threeweek course to his company.

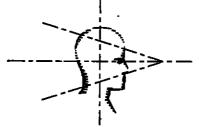
However, the partial entry of the business schools into this market raises what Alan Warner, MTP's managing dilemma for the schools: who is their customer, the individual or the company? "I do not think that there will be a continuing big market for the bland, general, open post-experience courses," he says. "An MBA is attractive to the individual; the in-company course is attractive to the company. I think it is difficult for the business schools to

have a foot in both camps." The growth of the training market and the response of the business schools has created a highly segmented market for management development programmes and one that Insead's Dominique Heau describes as almost a buyer's market, compared with the oligopoly of the leading business schools a few years ago.

David Hussey, the managing director of Harbridge House, is concerned that the fragmented nature of the management development industry in Britain, where all the leading institutions are about the same size, will prevent any real developments.

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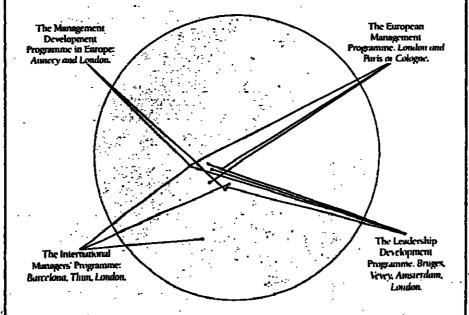
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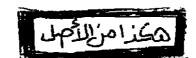
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Ethics enter the classroom

ast year, Jack Ma-honey, the professor of moral and social theology at King's College Business Ethics Centre in London, had 15 management students on his BSc course in ethics. This year he has 40. Growing student demand is getting through to British business schools, which are at last accepting that ethics should appear on the syllabus. The latest college to introduce the subject is Manchester, under the title "corporate responsibility".

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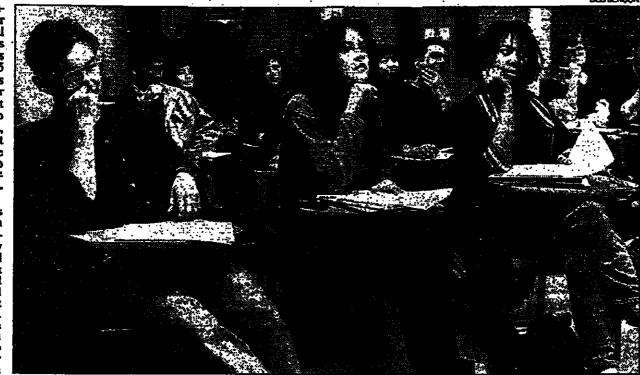
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The success of the subject is tempered by resistance from some businessmen and academics. Professor Mahoney says business ethics is "bolted on" to the management course, rather than integrated into every subject. "The ideal is for other teachers to take it into their teaching," he says. However, this would require a reshaping of courses, which many teachers are unwilling to do. Nevertheless, Professor Mahoney believes it is only a matter of time before Britain catches up with American management education. which regards ethics as a central part of the syllabus.

As the title of the Manches-



Learning to choose the "right" course of action: students are taught that profits and ethics are not mutually exclusive

practice, as well as theory. "Every business decision has an ethical dimension," he an ethical dimension," he says, and his course is in-tended to help students to sibility in business has been As the title of the Manchester course, corporate responsibility, suggests, there is still confusion about finding a name that accurately describes this hybrid of corporate philosophy and individual practice. Tom Cannon, the director of the Manchester Business School, is suspicious of the term business ethics. "The danger is that you create an intellectual ghetto," here is says, and his course is intended to help students to sability in business has been highlighted by Charles Handy in his book, The Age of Unreason. Mr Handy says: "It is not the job [of the organists to pay its dues to the duty of business to pay its dues to the duty of concentrates on the duty of business to pay its dues to the director of the Manchester Business School, is suspicious of the term business ethics.

"The danger is that you create an intellectual ghetto," here is still understand the right course of highlighted by Charles Handy in his book, The Age of Unreason. Mr Handy says: "It is not the job [of the organistation] to be everyone's alternative community, providing meaning and work for all for life; nor is it their job to be another arm of the state, collecting its taxes... The alternative community idea

connect of interest between the ethics of a business and those of the community, although the manager does have a social duty.

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their factories.

"The danger is that you create an intellectual ghetto," he says, believing instead that business ethics is part of a corporate giving to the people believe, of the organ-community is an integral part isation's proper job, which is to deliver quality goods and the control of the customer." Mr

or Scotland, where they have Manchester, so Professor Mathe "social mandate of business", arguing that society is stage of laying foundations becoming increasingly sensitive to the power of modern status of the subject." sitive to the power of modern business and its ethics, and far from being on the periphery of business study, ethics should be at its heart. He sees similarities between medical ethics and business ethics on the university syllabus.

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honey's chief concern is to tions and 18 felt it should be. make students aware of the exploration of the exploration. He talks of "Britain is still at the exploration." atory and somewhat tentative

> Europe presents a different scene. The subject is entrenched and developing a traditional role in the universities. Closer links between British and European institu-tions may fertilise research and funding to give a boost to the nascent UK tradition.

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time ago: "A man, though wise, should never be ashamed of learning more, and must unbend his mind." The observation is just as relevant to the modern business leader as to any wizened Greek elder. Yet, until re-cently, chief executives and board directors, have been notable by their absence from

training programmes. However, there are signs of an emerging humility. In the head of professional dev- any preparation for their role elopment at the Institute of as directors, and once ap-Directors, describes as "con- pointed they often find themsistent demands for expanselves too busy to develop grappling with confidential sion", the institute will launch themselves further." grappling with confidential strategic issues. and open a Centre for Director Dev-

"The real value is that each Senior executives learns from the other." have a lot to learn

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Most chief executives are

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cover anything from how to develop a more appropriate to accept the "humanness" of strategic plan to whether an their position. acquisition should go ahead, and, in the headmaster's case, peers can also improve bosses'

ditional standards.

One pressure all participants share is the isolation of their position. Another is the difficulty of balancing home



life against business démands. agenda. The organisations are public, private, large and small. One group included a headmaster. The rationale is that by assembling a group with different business in allow these people the time to terests, but similar degrees of form close, enduring friendresponsibility, the underlying ships. This adds to the loneliprinciples of every member's management style emerge stress, of their position.

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The tisk of discussions proved by the suspicion among leading executives that detail is also vastly reduced. if they are not perfect they Participants' concerns may ought to be. Meeting others in similar positions helps them

Sharing problems with their how to introduce a greater relationships with subordinaterness of the financial nates. One Ashridge participant notes: "It developed school, while retaining tra-

help chief executives to undersuccess rather than as an excuse for defeat, Jean Lammiman, the company's

UK chief executive, says.

The Alpha-Plus programme she runs is, like the Ashridge programme, a series of monthly one-day workshops. The aim is to keep "very senior managers", who join Alpha-Plus by invitation, in touch with the latest thinking figures and academics. Speakers, selected for "pragmanism and their relevance", have included Sir Brian Corby, the president of the CBL, Theo Sommer, the editor-in-chief of Die Zeit, and Edward Luttwak, an adviser to the Pentagon.
Mitchell Phoenix, another

organisation specialising in training senior management, adopts a "top-down" ap-proach, intended to bring about an overall culture change in a business. The idea is that every senior manager can become a mentor for those he or she manages. The system of the monthly oneday session for six months is used. "The onus on participants to report back every month to their peers on concrete actions they have taken is an important motivation in achieving tangible results," John Mitchell, the

chairman, says.

A common feature of the programmes is the emphasis on the input of delegates, which often eclipses the contribution of the trainer. The more chief executives see the need for training and development for themselves, the greater the potential for improved standards.

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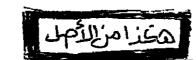
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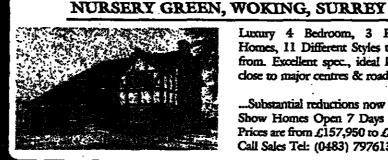


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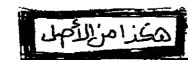
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the newest retirement scheme by Beechcroft Developments, at Alton in Hampshire, boasts a swimming-pool and an all-weather tennis court among amenines accompanying the 26 apartments and cottages that stand in four acres on the edge of the town.

Although swimming-pools have been incorporated in other retirement developments this is the

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ment developments, this is the first to be built by Beechcroft, one of the companies operating at the top end of the retirement housing sector. It will not be the last. Henry Thornton, of Beechcroft, says: "The idea for a pool emerged from research we carried acts at from research we carried out at our early scheme at Hungerford, Berkshire, where residents put it high on the list of amenities they would like. We now intend to build one in all our future

The company aims particularly at those in the top 10 to 20 per cent of the housing market, and wants to provide both the facilities that buyers expect, and congenial neighbours for them. "Owners are investing in a better quality of life which should cost them no more than it does to live elsewhere," Mr Thornton says.

Berehurst, the Alton scheme, has a range of two and three-bedroom properties, each with a conservatory and views over the town and countryside. The Watercress steam railway runs through a cutting at its boundary. The prices are from £120,000.

Beechcroft is also marketing its recently completed scheme at Upper Brook Hill, close to the town centre of Woodstock, Oxfordshire, and its next development, which the company believes to be among its finest locations, will be at Barton Farm in Cerne Abbas, Witshire, with a chalk stream and meadow and buildings set in the shadow of a grand tithe barn. Details: 0491

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When Beechcroft came into existence in 1984, English Court-yard Association (ECA) already had several years experience in providing retirement homes at the top end of the market, setting the standard for those who followed in its wake and, in many cases, copied its style. Apart from comparatively minor changes, its courtyard concept, offering cot-tages and apartments in a secure, cloistered atmosphere, and sur-rounded by landscaped grounds,

Noel Shuttleworth, the founder of ECA, does not intend to change it. "We have no plans for swim-ming-pools," he says. "In our schemes we will continue to concentrate on providing, for the money, as much space in the properties as possible and a high level

of landscaping."

The latest ECA developments include Fullands Court at Taunton, Somerset. This is a combination of flats in the big house, Fullands House, and a new, Georgian-style courtyard of flats and cottages (prices from £132,500 to £205,000). Ashcombe Court, close to the Minster in Ilminster, Somerset, has cottages and apartments in a converted



Georgian house and malthouse and in two new courtyards. Prices range from £130,000 to £190,000. Work has started on a new development of 27 two and threebedroom cottages and flats at Lane End, near Marlow, Bucking-hamshire, which should be ready

for occupation late next summer. Both ECA and Beechcroft have taken great care in working out their management schemes and service charges, conscious of the need to protect fixed incomes and capital against inflation. ECA details: 071-937 4511.

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A variant of the retirement housing theme comes from the Country Houses Association, whose main objective is to save historic buildings and their gar-dens for the benefit of the public. To achieve this, and to bring life back to their houses, the association restores the principal reception rooms and creates unfurnished residential apartments in those areas not required for public access, thus retaining the at-

mosphere of gracious living.
The association owns nine country houses, of which eight are Grade I or Grade II* listed, all standing in their own grounds, and they are open to the public on Wednesdays and Thursdays during the summer. They include Danny, at Hurstpierpoint, West Sussex, which dates from 1595, Pythouse, Wiltshire, a Palladian mansion built in 1725, and Great Maytham Hall at Rolvenden, Kent, a 20th century house designed by Sir Edwin Lutyens.

The apartments are not for sale, but are acquired by making a loan to the association which varies from £15,000 to £50,000 according to the size of the apartments. Meals are provided and taken in the dining room, and in addition

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to the loan a monthly charge from £500 for one person to £1,450 for two covers all meals, heating, water, maintenance and upkeep of the grounds. Each of the houses is managed by a resident couple, and there is a guest mont for visitors. there is a guest room for visitors. At the end of the occupancy the loan is returned, less 3 per cent for each year of residency. Details: 071-836 1624.

Part of the retirement sector is moving towards the "total care" concept, and several leading developers have such schemes. They are joined by Goldsborough, whose close care projects already provide nursing homes and homecare and nursing services in London.

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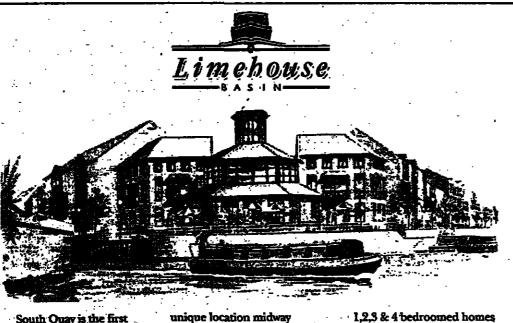
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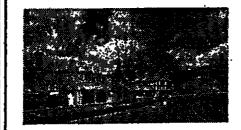
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Gooch has chosen to be with his players here rather than flying home for a period of rehabilitation. Quite right, too. But as he rejoined the party after ten days in an Adelaide hospital, impatience and frustration were inevitable emotions competing in his head even if, like every good captain in rough seas, he outwardly impassive.

Wearing a bush hat and with plastic scaffolding on his stitched and still swollen right hand, Gooch gathered his thoughts and then spoke with more confidence about his team's prospects than his own. If this was conscious policy,

a deliberate snub to the temptation to hurry back too Test, which starts on Friday, soon, the listener was still left with their original set of with the impression of a batsmen, poor form notworried man who could not be withstanding, Gooch's Essex sure when, or even if, he opening partner. John would be plying his trade Stephenson, will join the team again on this tour.

WARWICKSHIRE have re-

appointed Andy Lloyd as cap-tain for next season and will advertise for a director of coach-

ing to succeed Bob Cottam, the former manager.

Lloyd, who will again have Dermot Reeve as his vice-captain, said: "I have always

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"With the captain in sole

me there is no reason why I should not make a complete recovery but it is hard to put an accurate date on it. I'm hopefully two games before the second Test but it all depends on the rate of progress, and at the moment I must go gently because it is

Gooch was shy of speculat-ing on the issue of sending for reinforcements until he had discussed the options with the tour management. What he did say was: "It has obviously got to be talked about. The problem with this injury is that it is not like a break, when you know how long it is going to take. I have been told it should be all right in a couple of weeks but I just don't know if I will be able to catch a ball then. Batting will not be such a problem as fielding. It is going to be a slow job and there is no point in getting my hopes up 100 SOOR.

Although England are committed to tackling the first at practice during this leg as "As you get older and your his winter base is just 40 miles career nears an end, you don't away at a club on Queenswant to be sitting on the land's Gold Coast. It is not

given full support to the cricket committee, which was heavily

criticised by Cottam. But rebel members of the club have a no-

confidence resolution on the agenda for the annual meeting

Kent County Cricket Club has

nounced an increase in mem-

bers' subscriptions for next sea-son. Membership goes up from £37.50 to £41.50. A spokesman said: "It has been necessary to

think I've put on some weight and I'm very keen to start training again before I get fat, but the physio has warned me against running too soon." All in all, his active options for the days ahead are slim, quite happy to take on that responsibility." but Gooch was planning to reinvolve himself on a so far ill-The general committee has

England A team this winter it

would be illogical to draft him

in ahead of either Hugh

In the short term, however,

Gooch had some reassuring

words for Larkins and Ath-

opening pair has been grim

enough to provoke some radical views on Test team selec-

tion. "A few bad innines are

not going to lead to wholesale

reorganisation," he said.

saying as much when he joins

his deputy, Lamb, and team manager, Micky Stewart, to

pick the side for the Gabba but

he intends to relinquish the

traditional captain's casting

vote. "The first match of a

series is always particularly

important, especially on a ground which historically pro-

duces a result, and although I

feel I can help with team

selection, if Allan wants a

certain player in a certain

position he should have his

way, because he has got to lead the team on the field."

to keeping his 37-year-old

frame at a physical peak, Gooch winced as he told of his

current condition. "I've had to

eat two meals a day in

hospital, which I would never

normally do," he said: "I

An obsessive when it comes

Gooch will doubtless be

whose form as an

Morris or Darren Bicknell.

fated tour at today's full practice session. SYDNEY: Doug Walters, the former Australian Test batsman, will captain a Bradman XI for the one-day

match against England at

Bowral on December 11 (AFP

reports).

Umpiring dispute may go to the ICC

by SIMON WILDE

THE latest dispute between umpires could be their last. New Zealand may place allegations that Pakistan doctored the ball permanent cover, if one is during the recent series between deemed necessary, but as he them before the International Cricket Council (ICC) when it next meets in January. But one even missed selection for the of the principal reasons for the ICC meeting is to finalise plans for an international panel of

> The New Zealand board is to discuss the matter at a meeting in Auckland on Friday. It appears ready though to support claims made by its players and officials that the host side had persistently tampered with the ball and that their protestations to the Pakistani umpires had

The New Zealanders admit that this led them to interfere with the ball themselves but the board has effectively cleared Martin Crowe, the captain, and lan Taylor, the manager, of blame by retaining them for the World Series Cup in Australia starting next week. Crowe must, however, consider himself fortunate. It was his careless remarks about local umpires before the series began that led Pakistan to abandon their arrangements for neutral um-pires to stand.

New Zealand, though, have dropped seven of their Pakistan tour party for the World Series Cup, in which England also compete. Among their replacements is John Wright, the former Test captain, who had said that the visit to England last summer would be his last overseas tour.

For those worried by South Africa's introduction of substitutes comes further alarming news. On Sunday an experimental one-day match will be played in Christchurch between Canterbury and Auckland, de-signed to provide greater entertainment. Teams can draw on 13 players, a batsman may have two innings, each run is worth five and the crowd will be encouraged to shout their

Western Australia lead the Sheffield Shield by four points after their four-wicket victory over South Australia in Adelaide. New South Wales, the holders, who were without the injured Mark Taylor were comtely outplayed by Victoria in

three scoring races, two firsts and a second, were not good MEW ZEALAND PARTY (for World Series Cup): M D Crowe (captain), I D S Smith (wise-captain), A H Jones, J G Wright, M J Greatbatch, K R Rutherford, W Watson, C Howier, also of Portsmouth.

Ready for every twist and turn of a long road



Flat out over the blind brow

By Stephen Slater

THE British drivers, Russell Brookes and Malcolm Wilson are likely to provide the chief home opposition to Pentti Airikkala, the winner of last year's event, as the cars leave the starting ramp for the Lom-bard RAC Rally at Harrogate early on Sunday morning. Ahead of the 180 competitors lies a four-day. 1.400-mile route which this year is tougher than ever as the crews use "pace-notes" which will ac-curately chart every twist and turn of the 41 timed special

Traditionally, the RAC rally

Polytechnic, who has twice won the British students' sailing championship, narrowly lost his challenge for a third consecutive

title at the weekend (Mike Lamb

writes).

Helming in the Lark category with James Jefferson as crew, Andrews could justifiably be disappointed with the outcome of the four-race series when his

Gerard Mitchell and Michael

has been the only event in the world rally championship to be tougher, more competitive than ever, Airikkala, who has run in a "blind', with no reconnaissance of the stages allowed. This year a new format has trimmed a day off the event and this week the crews began low-speed practice

runs through the forest tracks.
They are making notes in a mixture of hieroglyphics and shorthand which will allow the co-drivers to relay information on the severity of corners and crests. Received through an intercorn in the driver's belimet. these terse instructions allow the car to be driven flat out, even over blind brows.
"It will make the rally

STUDENT SPORT

Not so plain sailing for Andrews

three races and snatched victory by virtue of a higher placing in the fourth, discarded race. Swapping the lead regularly, the

two boats contested every race

from the front of the 80-strong

John Lasenby, from Birmin-

gham University, competing in the Laser category, demon-

strated the importance of good

starts and cover tacking as be

winning the first three races to

to-five wind conditions.

almost 20 years of experience of the RAC Rally, said. "In the past, you always had to keep a little something in reserve, but this year we will be at ten-tenths for all of the way."

Airikkala gave a spectacular demonstraton of ten-tenths driving in the closing stages of last year's rally when he took victory from Carlos Sainz, of Spain, With ten competitive miles remaining. Airikkala Mitsubishi took the lead and scored his first RAC Rally

as an all-purpose student racing boat was reflected by a fleet of

over 50 as the Oxford University pairing of Michael Buchanan and Hugh Fisher cruised home with two firsts.

chief opposition again this year, but Airikkala is aiming to lead from the from, having transferred the covered No. I starting number to a new car, a Ford Sierra Cosworth. One of the four factory-prepared Fords in the event, the turbo-charged four-wheel drive car will feature a revolutionary seven-speed gearbox to allow even more rapid acceleration on the loosely surfaced gravel tracks. Wilson. Airikkala's British team-mate, is driving a similar car in the Ford factory team, but the vastly experienced Brookes is aiming for victory without the new gearbox on his privately prepared Sierra.

Sainz, the 1990 world cham-pion, could form the Finn's

PETANQUE

Little danger to Thailand

THE Thailand team must be regarded as the firmest of favourites to retain the title in the second women's world championships starting in Bangkok tomorrow (Peter Tatlow

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The Thais proved their invin-cibility two years ago, demolish-ing Sweden 15-0 in the final Britain, fourth last time, will attempt to improve on that respeciable placing through Claire Scott (Coventry), Tracey Cutler (Leicester) and Vanessa Webb

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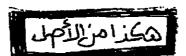
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Party Politics for topical victory in Haydock chase

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SOFT ground at Haydock today has ensured a high-class field for the the Edward Hanmer Memorial Handicap Chase, a race which has often provided clues to the destiny of the season's major honours.

Won in the past by giants of the sport such as Bula, Pendil, L'Escargot, Silver Buck, Wayward Lad and Forgive'N Forget, today's race offers an intriguing blend of proven talent and potential. And it is the potential, in the massive shape of Party Politics, which may prevail this time.
Standing all of 18 hands,

Party Politics started his career in point-to-points. Having been brought along. patiently by Nick Gaselee, his debut under rules last season was somewhat inauspicious when he fell at Umoxeter.

He won two of his other four races, both at Warwick, the most significant factor of those victories being that they were achieved on soft ground. In the second of those wins, he beat the subsequent Sun Alliance Chase winner, Garrison Savannah, by seven lengths.

talian listed-race doubles in the £19,560 Premio Campobello (1m 1f) in Milan today.

Il Corsair, however, will not

1.00 Mia Fillia.

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I.30 Houghton. 2.00 PARTY POLITICS (nap).

This season he won his only

ALEX Scott's Il Corsair (Bruce Raymond) and Panl Cole's All the King's Men (Richard Quinn) are both out to complete Italian listed-race doubles in the £19,560 Premio Campobello (1m 1f) in Milan today.

The control of the property of the group three Octtingen-Rennen in 1985.

Il Corsair, however, will not be making the return journey to Britain as he has been sold to a leading Italian stable, the Scuderia Lady M.

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Selections

By Mandarin

Michael Seely's selection: 2.00 Celtic Shot.

1.0 MARJORIE NOVICES HURDLE (3-Y-O: £1,933: 2m) (15 runners)

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12 JR JONES 19 (0,6) (7 Pearson) D Burthell 10-13

111 ONE FOR THE BOYS 6 (0,F) (Mis A Heimes) M Chepman 10-13

EASTERN PLEASURE 41F (Mis V Wood) M Dickinson 10-10

P HEY JOE 6 (D Pearson) G Oldroyd (0-10

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-GOLDEN-FLIGHT 15F (G Sanderson) E Aleton 10-5

MAR FILLIA 36F (Full Circle Thoroughbreds G Piz) N Tinder 10-5

1.30 STANDARD LIFE HANDICAP HURDLE (£2,954: 2m) (11 runners)

TRIG: 9-4 Commili Prince, 7-2 Choir Leader, 6-1 Grey Merlin, 8-1 J R Jones, One For The Boys, Fills, Pink Gin, 14-1 others.

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SETTING: 5-2 Date Park, 4-1 Star Season, 6-1 Teblito, 8-1 Flatful Of Bucks, 10-1 Warwick Suits, 52-1 Houghton, Gurteen Boy, 14-1 Curvet, Full Monty, 16-1 others.

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Selection: STAR SEASON

Course specialists

TRAINERS

ner of the Sun Alliance Hurdle Wetherby when beating the and Sun Alliance Chase in enigmatic Kildimo by four consecutive seasons, his year's lengths. absence through injury must militate against him. Mid-night Count, without a win last season, may have stamina limitations.

Rinus won the Greenall Whitley Gold Cup here in March, prior to running third behind Mr Frisk in the Grand National. He is likely to set the nace along with Bonanza Boy, but is prone to jumping errors and that may prove his

undoing. The main threat is posed by Celtic Shot. The 1988 champion hurdler is running here, in preference to the Hennessy, prior to the King George VI Chase on Boxing Day.

Last season, while still a novice, he was touted by many as a Gold Cup prospect. But these plans were shelved after his defeat by Sabin Du Loir at Cheltenham in January.

After finishing fifth behind Comandante in the Arkle Trophy, he rounded off the season by beating Young Snugfit at Ayr. This season he

> Men Of Yorkshire may prove the answer to an openlooking Coomes Senior Citizens Novices' Chase, while at Kelso, Old Applejack, who was slightly out of his depth when third to Celtic Shot at Wetherby, can pick up the winning thread in the Arpal

£650,000 in 1991

By DICK HINDER THERE will be record prizemoney on offer at next year's Grand National meeting (April 4-6) estimated at £650,000, an I feel his handicap mark owes more to his status as a increase of more than £100,000 hardler than his achievements on last season. over fences and, while Party

The Seagram Grand National will be worth at least £160,000, an increase of more than 30 per cent, Ivan Straker, chairman of Seagram Distillers, said yesterday. For the first time, the big handicap has gained the status of a pattern race as a grade three John Parrett, Aintree's

managing director and clerk of the course, said: "Great empha-sis has been placed on building Mother Champion Chase, can carry on the good work in the Standard Life Handicap up the Thursday and Friday cards. Thursday will now have £144,000 in added prize-money, Chase.

He unseated Jamie Osborne
at Devon two weeks ago, when
Sabin Du Loir beat Desert

Which will include the Glenlivet
Anniversary Hurdle.

"Friday's card will have a
major boost through the first
running of the Glenlivet Melling

Chase, a new 2½-mile grade one pattern race, worth £70,000." Parrett added that 20 races will run over the three days with 11 having pattern status. Commenting on Desert Or-chid's possible participation in next year's National, Straker said: "I believe the Grand National is made for Desert Orchid. We must not be fright-ened of the borse who has

ened of the horse who has become folklore taking part. "I would love to see him run in the National. If I had been his owner, I would have run him in this year's race, rather than next. because I believe he would have had a better chance, purely on

On the prospect of Aintree taking up an option on Ayr's mid-November meeting to add a second meeting to their fixture list, the Seagram chairman said:
"It is early days. There are
several bridges to be crossed
before it could come about."

Aintree set Wyatt reappointed to offer chairman of Total chairman of Tote

By RICHARD EVANS

12. is to remain as chairman of the Horse Racing Totalisator Board for another two years when his current term of office expires.

Lord Wyatt's chances of being reappointed would have been when his current term of office expires next April. David cison had been left until after the surgeons of the Conserting of the Conserting the Morae of the Morae when his current term of onice expires next April. David cision had been ten unto the Conservative party leadership contest warve party leadership contest

The reappointment, fore- and Mr shadowed in The Times last ousted. shadowed in The Times last month, follows the decision of Mrs Thatcher to overrule the att's chairmanship will be regarded by some as exuding a political favouritism.

Lord Wyatt, a close friend of the Prime Minister, has been chairman of the Tote since 1976 and yesterday's announcement and its strange timing will cause considerable unease in racing and political circles.

Many stnior racing figures, terday that appointments of this including the upper echelons of nature were normally anthe Jockey Club, were keen to nounced near to the time they see a new chairman who would become a worthy competitor to the "big three" bookmakers — Ladbrokes, Hills and Corals. Christopher Haines, chief executive of the Jockey Club. has been particularly critical of the Tote's performance and said recently. "If I ran it I could raise

The timing of yesterday's Home Office statement is most unusual because it was made almost six months before Lord

its profits from £8 million to £18

Token Hennessy doubt

which owes more to the peer's

relationship with Mrs Thatcher than the future needs of the Tote

and racing. Lord Wyatt is due to be chairman until the end of

were due to be taken up. "There

had been so much speculation

rather than having another two or three months of speculation

or three months of speculation which was causing the Tote a certain amount of embarrassment," a spokesperson said.

Asked whether the timing was linked to the threat posed to Lord Wyatt by a possible defeat for Mrs Thatcher, the spokesperson added: "That is most interesting speculation."

By PHIL MCLENNAN

ENVOPAK Token, a 12-1 chance for Saturday's Hennessy Cognac Gold Cup, is almost certain to miss the £50,000 Newbury race and run instead in the Tim Molony Memorial Chase at Haydock Park

A spokesman for Josh Gifford, who trains Envopak Token, said yesterday: "He's virtually certain to go to Haydock because of the soft

Bookmakers yesterday re-tained the 1989 Sun Alliance Chase winner in their lists but Corals pushed the nine-year-old out two points to 12-1.

April 1993.
The Home Office agreed yesterday that appointments of this The same firm report strong support for the three market leaders with Arctic Call now 4-1 favourite (from 11-2). Von Csadek 5-1 (from 11-2) and Sam on who would get the job, it was thought the sooner the appoint-ment was made the better. Da Vinci 6-1 (from 7-1).

Seagram, seeking to give David Barons a third Hennessy triumph after Broadheath (1986) and Playschool (1987), was cut from 20-1 to 14-1. Despite a little rain at the Berkshire course on Monday night, the field for Saturday's big race seems sure to cut up badly unless further rain follows.

"We had 0.12 inches of rain but the clerk of the course [Charles Toller] walked the course this afternoon and the going is now firm on the chase course and good to firm on the hurdles," a course spokesman

Chartie Brooks confirmed Espy a definite runner, with Ben de Haan riding, if blood tests taken yesterday prove satisfac-tory. Results of the tests are expected tomorrow.

Brooks also confirmed that he is now the trainer of Fort Nocl, one of last season's most

policy with Party Politics

start at Newbury, passing the long-time leader Huntworth, and then repelling the late. challenge of Bigsun by 11/2 lengths in a manner which suggested he could hold his own with the best.

Today, he comes up against the best. The weights are headed by Bonanza Boy, who is also in his element when the mud is flying. The dual Welsh pose a threat, but I feel the weight concession may prove too much.

While respect must be ac-

British trainers chase Milan prize £23,944 group three Prix des Chenes (1m) at Saint-Cloud, John Hammond's Reason To Trick, an odds-on chance, jus-

2.30 Waterloo Boy.

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AL Dwyer

rified his market position with a smooth four-length win. Reason To Trick's victory was a boost for one of France's

Centenary Handicap Chase.

Politics is 31b outside the

handicap, the handicapper

may not yet have got to grips

with this progressive young

David Nicholson is enjoy-

ing his best start to a season

and Waterloo Boy, who just lost out to Barnbrook Again in that titanic battle in the Queen

Orchid, but should have

enough in hand to hold Meikleour, winner of the Vic-

tor Chandler Chase at Ascot in

February, on a line through

At Plumpton, it is hard to oppose Wishlon in the Coomes Handicap Hurdle.

The seven-year-old, who is soon to go chasing, won the

New Year's Day Hurdle at

Windsor two seasons ago and

looks a class above this field.

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Selection; CELTIC SHOT

7an AMANDACAB C (48 62 628 20m) (6 prepared)

2.30 STANDARD LIFE HANDICAP CHASE (23,622: 2m) (5 runners)

Long hendicept Nos Na Gacitire 9-11. BETTRIG: 13-8 Katabatic, 15-8 Waterloo Boy, 7-2 Melideour, 8-1 Foyle Fisherman, 20-1 Nos Na Gacitire

3.0 BMW SERIES CHASE (Qualifier: £3,172: 3m) (4 runners)

FORM FOCUS WATERLOO BOY close up when upset on only completed start last season in a handicap at Ayr (2m 44, good to soft). KATABATIC 8541 4th to Oliveston on reoppearance in a handicap at Ayr (2m 44, good to soft). KATABATIC 8541 4th to Oliveston on reoppearance in a handicap hundle at Strations (2m, good). On final start last season, 61 and to Nohahndam in a handicap hundle at Strations (2m, good) in March.

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FORM FOCUS ASTON EXPRESS start less season at Uttowater (3m 2f, good to firm). Season at Uttowater (3m 2f, good to firm). Season in at Southwell (3m 100yd, good) and when falling 2 out on penultimate start less season in at Southwell (3m 100yd, good) and season in Waterford Crystal Stayers' Hundle at 13 8th of 22 to Trapper John on final start list season in Waterford Crystal Stayers' Hundle at Chellenham (3m 1f, good). Put up a similar effort when 17%1 3rd to Sooner Still on line! Season in Waterford Crystal Stayers' Hundle at Chellenham (3m 1f, good). Put up a similar effort when 17%1 3rd to Sooner Still on line! 3.30 EBF NOVICES HURDLE (Qualifier: \$2,101: 2m) (10 runners)

FORM FOCUS RED SCORPION

at Newbury (2m 100yd, good to firm). SUPREME
ROCK made good late headway when 131 7th of 24

in National Hunti flet races two seasons ago, most
receive at Huntington (2m 100yd, good) to soft)
when 8½1 5th of 19 to Talking Money. STRONG
meau 9½1 5th of 19 to Talking Money. STRONG
meau 9½1 5th of 12 to Driver in a National Huntington
race at Chalamham (2m, firm) in April. SUPREME

DEALER ½1 2nd to Furry Knows in a nowless' hurdle

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2.15 COOMES CONDITIONAL JOCKEYS SELLING HANDICAP HURDLE (21,660: 2m)

1 61467-5 SPANISTOWN SURREY 18 (CD,F) (M Munay) P Buder 6-11-10. J Henves (5)
2 1166F6- L'ENCHERE 267 (CD,F,G) (Racing Thoroughbreds Pic) G Gracoy 5-11-2. M Casekly (5)
3 87-46 JENCOD 7 (J Denver) A Moore 4-10-13. Q Upton
4 29565-5 PEERGLOW 68 (6) (MRS G Dunlop) C Williams 6-10-11. J Rysn
5 4-00094 IXIND OF MAGIC 22 (IV) (A King) A Jones 5-10-9. Neil Thomas (7)
6 285300 DECIDING 380 10 (8) Patres) J Long 4-10-3. Leves Long (6)
7 6-96F PARKWAY EXPRESS 42 (M Colleg) S Stavens 4-10-3. M Sevens (5)
8 F36028 SHAPSHOT BARY 16 (2) (W Clarity R Voorspay 6-10-0. A Yory (6) Long handlicep: Snepshot Seby 9-9. BETTING: 5-2 Jancod, 11-4 Peerglow, 9-2 Shapehot Beby, 5-1 Branstown Sunset, 10-1 King Of Magic, I L'Enchere, 15-1 Deciding Bid, 20-1 Parlowsy Express. 1886: CARPET CAPERS 5-12-0 V Smith (6-5 fav) J Fitch-Høyes 6 ran 2.45 COOMES SENIOR CITIZENS NOVICES CHASE (\$2,156; 2m 4f) (8 runners)

BETTING: 13-8 Miles Fern, 3-1 Men Of Yorkshire, 8-1 Final Alma, 10-1 Bold Archer, 12-1 Kallys Pal, Panel Game, R Led, 16-1 Botany Bay Irn.
1889: DOCKLANDS EXPRESS 7-11-3 R J Beggan (100-30) K Balley 10 ran 2.15 NEW CROSS NOVICES HURDLE (21,350: 2m 4f) (11 runners)

J Leech (3) 88

D Sityma (3) —

V Snith —

R Gotdenin 98

Date McKaoun — 1886: WIZZARO ARTIST-4-11-0 H Davies (7-2) M Haynes 12 rati

Course specialists

Geing: good to firm.

1.15 (2m hdie) 1, EDWARD LEAR (M Dayer, 7-2; 2, Wissborne (D Byrne, 100-30 fi-4n; 3, Duncing Dayer (N Sinitz, 100-30 ji-fan). ALSO RAN: 100-30 ji-fan

hampton yesterday.

Richard Dunwoody had the Bridge for the Champion Hurzling the die at the moment. The Ascot dual winner, La Cienaga, until Gold Cup is still his main settling the issue in a few strides two from home. 2.15 EUROSCOT VENTURES REG TWEEDIE NOVICES CHASE (£3,557: 3m) (6) KELSO Selections By Mandarin

Tyrone Bridge pleases

TYRONE Bridge, a top-class stayer on the Flat with seconds in the Irish St Leger and the Ascot Gold Cup to his credit, looked an outstanding recruit to jumping with an effortless winning debut over hurdles in the Reynoldstown Cup at Wolver-hammen westerday.

The race was run in a blinding rainstorm and Martin Pipe said: "That's got him used to winter weather. He is good. He was a looked an outstanding recruit to natural from the start but I don't know where we go from here." Paul Green, owner of Tyrone Bridge, added: "I would not advise anyone to back Tyrone

3.15 Old Applejack. 3.45 Cab On Target. By Michael Seely 12.45 Arpal Breeze. 3.15 HIGHFRITH (nap). Private Handicapper's top rating: 3.15 DALKEY SOUND.

12.45 Arnal Breeze, 1.15 Moment Of Truth, 1.45

Nineofus. 2.15 Farnworth. 2.45 Thunder Flower.

Going: good

12.45 ARPAL EDINBURGH NOVICES HURDLE (£2,679: 2m) (13 runners) 1 P-11 CARTHAGENA COTTAGE 27 (D) Mrs V Aconley 5-11-5

2 -112 LOTHAN CAPTAIN 14 (CD,G) W Crewlord 5-11-5 3 -112 MR WOODCOCK 19 (D,F,Q) Mrs G Reveley 5-11-5 4 02-1 ARPAL BREEZE 14 (CD,G) G Richards 5-11-2

15-8 Arpal Breeze, 3-1 Lothian Ceptain, 5-1 Mr Woodcock,

1.15 HAMILTON AND INCHES NOVICES HANDI-CAP CHASE (£3,590: 2m 196yd) (9) 1 4611 MOMENT OF TRUTH 12 (CD,F,G,S) P Montaith 6-12-0

2 4185 PALM HOUSE 8 (RF,D,F,G,S) G Richards 5-11-3
N Douglay
3 35-5 MERITINOCRE 12 (S) G Moore 7-11-2. J Callegian (3)
4 58/ DR/INE CHARGER SEC (F) W A Stephenson 6-11-1
A Herrigan

11-8 Moment Of Truth, 5-2 Palm House, 5-1 Maudins Cross, 10-1 Meritmoore, 12-1 Potato Picker, 14-1 others.

1.45 EDINBURGH WOOLLEN MILLS HANDICAP HURDLE (£3,785: 2m) (11) 1 S3-1 RANDOLPH PLACE 55 (D.G.5) G Richards 9-12-0

2 31-1 SHERWOOD GUNKER 16 (D.F.Q.S) O Bratnan 8-11-3
M Branners
3 1111 NINEDRUS 12 (CD.F.Q.) M H Easterby 4-11-2 R Garritay
4 21/ GREAT SALING 855 (D.Q.S) F Jorden 5-11-0
J Lodder (3)
5 /12- 1655 RELSUK 35F (D.F.) Mrs G Reveloy 6-10-0
P Rives

A Larmech (7)
11 3/3 TREYARMON 34 (CD,5) P Montaith 5-10-0 L O'Hera (3) 3-1 Nineofus, 4-1 Randolph Place, 6-1 Sherwood Gunner, 6-1 Miss Relaun, 10-1 Clay County, 10-1 others.

 Master Rajh, who ended last season with four wins in a row, resumed where he left off by winning the Charter Hardware Handicap Chase at Wolverhampton yesterday.

1 O/1 FARNWORTH 14 (C.G.S) G Moore 7-11-5 4-5 Farmworth, 9-4 Royal Mite, 8-1 Teaceks, 10-1 Majic Rain, 16-1 Slave Time, 33-1 Polilbrig. 2.45 GRANTS WHISKY NOVICES HANDICAP HURDLE (£2,385: 2m 6f) (10) 1 2114 BREAK THE CHAIN 13 (BF.F.G) W A Stephenson 5-12-0 A Lemech (7) 2 3115 INSTER TUFFIE 6 (F) G Richards 6-1-10 ... N Dougley 3 P-12 THUNDER FLOWER 70 (F) G Richards 5-10-8 4 8-02 MISTER MCODY 8 J Hellens 5-10-1 — A Orinney 5 60-5 PRINCE CEVA 12 G Richerds 5-10-0 — L O'Hers (3) 6 3335 PLAXON WORRIOR 25 A Le Biond 6-10-0 — P Niven 7 5F-4 GUERNISSY GER. 12 Jimmy Ricaperals 5-10-0. B Byrne 8 0-5P GONE ASTRAY 28 F Walton 5-10-0 — S Storney 9 800- FRRST LORD 248 Mar V Acrolley 4-10-0 — J Corkell (7) 10 PFP8 EQUINOCTIAL 12 N Miller 5-10-0 — A Heywood (7)

15-8 Thunder Flower, 9-4 Mister Tuftis, 4-1 Break Th Chain, 7-1 Prince Ceva, 12-1 Guerrsey GM, 20-1 others.

3.15 ARPAL CENTENARY HANDICAP CHASE CO, DCZ: 211 01 (0)

1 112- TARTAN TAXEOVER 214 (G,S) G Richards 6-12-0
D Byme
2 1-13 OLD APPLEJACK 18 (F,S) J Johnson 10-11-10 T Reed
3 43-F HIGHERTH 18 (CD,Q,S) G Richards 7-11-3 N Doughty
4 1-P1 TRICPOINT CHARLE 28 (CD,F,G) W A Stephenson
10-11-1 A Memigan

5 -431 WORTHY KNECHT 5 (F,G,S) B McLean 9-11-0 6 /02- ADEN APOLLO 368 (C.Q.S) T Craig 9-10-13. R Mariey 7 U-31 DALKEY SCHAID 21 (F.G.S) Mar C Reporter 7 CO 8 2211 SPEECH 25 (F) W A Stephenson 7-10-2 Mr K Johns

3-1 Old Applejack, 7-2 Trigpoint Charlle, 9-2 Dalicey Sound, 8-1 Highfrith, Worthy Knight, 8-1 Tartan Takeover, 10-1 others. 3.45 ARPAL EDINBURGH YOUNG JUMPERS NATIONAL HUNT FLAT RACE (£2,250: 2m) (22) 1- CAB ON TARGET 271 (S) Mrs G Reveloy 4-11-9 R Hodge (7)

F Martagh
APACHE BRAVE J Goulding 5-11-2....... C Dennis
24 GYMCRAK STARDON 25 (BF) M H Easterby 4-11-2 ATMICIAK STARDON 25 (AF) M H Ensierby 4-11-2
R Garnitry
JAM TOMORROW B McLean 4-11-2
B McGiff (5)
6- KANGAROO COURT 216 J O'Neit 4-11-2
LOWIANDS Jenny Pitzgerad 4-11-2
Mr R Hale (7)
6- MACKIRNON 12 of Richards 5-11-2
Mr R Hale (7)
18-GHTY CHANCE F Jordan 5-11-2
Mr R Hale (7)
19-COLD MORTALITY 188 F Allen 4-11-2
D Denne (7)
PARSON'S QUEST W A Suphenson 4-11-2
Heyerood (7)
POTATO MAN 8 McLean 4-11-2
N Smith (5) POTATO MAN 8 McLeen 4-11-2 N ROCKET LAUNCHER Jimmy Fitzgereid 4-11-2

21 REDHALL ROYALE T Robson 6-10-11 Mr. Mcloney (5)
21 REDHALL ROYALE T Robson 6-10-11 Mrs R Robson
22 60 ROSEWELL 12 J Charlton 4-10-11 P Harta (3)
7-4 Wilbile-Wabble, 5-2 Cab On Target, 4-1 Say Little,
7-1 Mackinnon, 10-1 Gymcrak Stardom, 12-1 others. Course specialists

TRAINERS: G Moore, 20 winners from 79 numers, 25.3%; Jintery Fitzgerald, 9 from 39, 23.7%; M H Easterby, 7 from 30, 23.3%; G Richards, 33 from 142, 23.2%; Mrs G Reveley, 16 from 89, 18.0%; W Stephenson, 45 from 292, 15.4%. JOCKEYS: Mr K Johnson, 7 witners from 19 rides, 38,8%; I, O'Hara, 8 from 34, 23,5%; R Hodge, 3 from 14, 21,4%; N Dougley, 16 from 81, 19,8%; D Byrne, 4 from 23, 17,4%; R Marley, 6 from 44, 13,6%.

Results from yesterday's three meetings

Wolverhampton
Geing: good to firm (chase course); good to firm (chase cour 2.15 (2m 4f 100yd ch) 1, IMPERTAIN (N Smith, 14-1); 2, Impeny (F Mortagh, 5-1); 3, Almsty Fox (F Midgley, 5-1), ALSO RAN; 7-4 fav Absonant (f), 9-2 Valentinos Joy (ur), 7 Deadine (ur), 6 ran, 25, 1, 1 Cumingham at Northeliarion, Tote; 517.70; 53.80, 22.20, DF: 517.90, CSF-257.94. 1.30 Sm 1f ch) 1, BRADWALL (S J C'Nell, 8-11 favt; 2, Tight Turn (J Frost, 5-2); 3, Patchoud's Pet (R Durwoody, 4-1); ALSO RAN: 50 Pinales Folly (son), 66 Koffi (f), 5 ran. Hd, %1, clast. G Barrow at Sand-bach. Totac 21.60; 21.10, 21.40. DF: 22.00. CGF: 22.83.

(f), 5 ran. Hd, %I, clist. G Barlow at Sandbach. Totac 21.50; 21.10, £1.40. DF; £2.00.

CGF; £2.83.

2.0 (2m ch) 1, MASTER RAJH (M Lynch, 13-8 key); 2, Fare Love (A Juckes, 7-1); 3, Vulrony's Closen (M Breinnan, 7-4), ALSO RAK: 10 Sir Peter Lely (5th), 14 Water Measure (5th), 5 ran. 3; 15, 7, 30. J. Chugg at Mitton-Under-Wychwood. Totac 15.50; £1.40, £3.40. DF; £5.50. CSF; £1.90; £1.40, £3.40, £1.50.

Tota: 22.20; £1.20, £1.20. DP: £1.60. CSF: £3.50.

3.0 2m 4f hdie) 1, TYRONE BRUGGE [R]
Durwtody, 1-2 fav); 2, La Cleanan (J. Prott, 7-4); 3, Cleanic Statement (M Pirman, 33-1), ALSO RANL 33 Cheerful Times (4th), 50 Cazaudehore (pu), 5 ran. 20, dist, 20, M Pipe at Wellington, Tota: £1.70, £1.10, £1.20, DF: £1.40, CSF: £1.70, £1.10, £1.20, DF: £1.40, CSF: £1.70, £1.30, Gam of 110yd hdie) 1, CATCH THE CROSS (M Foster, 4-4 tay); 2, Mismanc (J. Prott, 7-1); 3, Priscar's Court (K Mooney, 5-1), ALSO RANL 6 France, 18 Cardamaga (D. Gamerous Scot (4th), 20 Fouffu, Good Causa, 25 Rymer King (pu), Kinglisher Bay (5th), 60 Stormentich (5th), 20 Fouffu, Good Causa, 25 Rymer King (pu), Kinglisher Bay (5th), 60 Stormentich (5th), 88 Stick's Brother, Beiggley, 14 ran. 12, 3, 81, 1, 30, M Pipes at Wellington, Tota: £4.10; £2.20, £2.30. DF: £8.90. CSF: £17.95. Thicast: £65.78. NRS: RU Valentino, Rouse March., Placepot £15.90.

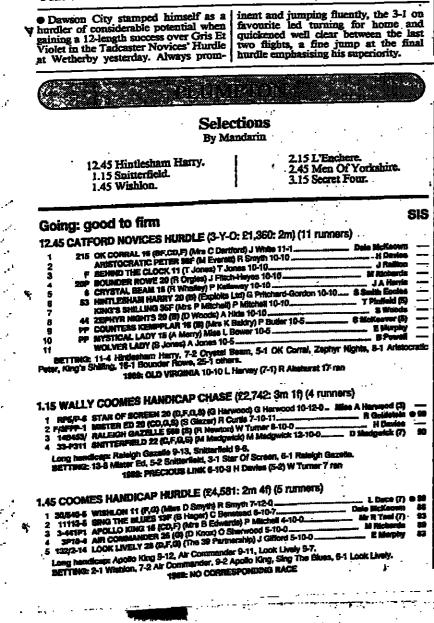
Golng: standard
12.30 (7) 1, Eveding (Dale Gibson, 12-1): 2, Mick's Choice (14-1): 3, Danzig Lad
(5-1), Western Ace 9-4 fav. 14 rgs., Nk., nk.
W Hestings-Bass. Tote: £14.30; £3.40,
22.40, 22.50. DF: £96.50. CSF: £166.14.
1.0 (7) 1. Eurobinite (Alex Greeves, 101): 2, Candesco (1-1): 3, For Real 8-1): 4,
Willipper in (20-1), Tempering 7-2 fav. 18
rgs. 3, 19; 1 Farron, Tota: £1.50; £2.60,
£2.50, £2.60. DF: £367.10. CSF:
£15.55. Tricast: £882.24. 1.30 (6f) 1, El Arab (8 Crossley, 8-1); 2, Wing Park (7-1); 3, Malunar (10-1), Glan-

2.30 (1m 6f) 1. Chronological (C Hodgson, 20-1); 2. Noctumal Reverie (20-1); 3. Strattmotes (7-1). Sudden Victory 6-4 fav. 17 ran. 6l, 4l. M Tomptims. Tote: £10.40; £2.40, £4.20, £4.40, DF: £22.70. CSF: £348.93. Sophie Gerdens (12-1) withdrawn, not under orders — rule 4 applies to all bets, deduction 5p in pound. 3.0 (5f) 1, Little Flasher (K Deriey, 12-1); 2, Flying Promise (11-1); 3, Kréschim (20-1), Jess Rebec 9-4 Izv. 15 ran, ½1, 21, M W Easterby, Tote: £11.10; £3.80, £3.50, £3.10. DF: £130.40. CSF: £135.42 Treast: £2,573.72. NR; Cafbeirn.

3.30 (1m 4) 1. Society Ball (G Duffield, 9-2); 2, Brigadler Bill (8-1); 3, Trisborum (20-1); 4, Myfortaine (12-1); Beau Benz 5-2 fav. 18 ran. 1); N. J. Wens. Tote: £8.40; £3.30, £2.20, £8.10, £3.90, DF; £19.30, CSP: £49.05. Tricast: £856.91.

David Nicholls was suspended for four days (November 29-December 2) for excessive use of the whip on runner-up Mick's Choice in the first di-vision of the River Idle Maiden Stakes at Southwell yesterday.





Atkins plays himself in with tone and style To use an analogy from his favourite sport of cricker, Robert Atkins is playing himself in steadily as the personal for sport to set the "tone and style". The direction in which the government wants sport to go will be outlined in a Review of Sport, Atkins is likely to be more and style. The direction in which the government wants subject. She considers that all though team games form a valuation of the control of the cont

the minister real power would be

that he could co-ordinate the

present allocation of resources,

particularly on major projects

such as multi-purpose stadiums

used for athletics and football and

possibly other sports. However, an event like the Olympic Games

would need further funding. On this Atkins is clear: "Money

for a bid for the Games will'not be

forthcoming from the govern-ment." So if Britain were to try again for the Olympics, it must be

with the support of private finance, although money could be available for infrastructure,

Given the enthusiasm of several

important ministers such as John

Major, Chris Patten, David

himself in steadily as the new minister for sport. However, with an election due within 18 months, his innings may not be a long one. By polling day he may scarcely have had time to reach double

Atkins has taken on the post with the disadvantage, although some see it as the advantage, of knowing very little about sport, either nationally or internationally. His predecessor, Colin Moynihan, was not forgiven by many administrators for often preferring the advice and assistance of active or recently retired competitors. Having been a member of Britain's 1980 Olympic team, Moynihan knew the value of their experience.
Atkins has no such committed

views. However, his main task, unless football hooliganism again gets out of control, will be to produce a Review of Sport, due to be published early next summer. This will outline the direction in which the government wants

style". To achieve these, he has a staff of about 25 people at the Department of the Environment.

This month he obtained £46.6 million from the Treasury for British sport. The minister has no control over the distribution of these funds. They went to the Sports Council, the quango that is largely subsidised by taxpayers' money and employs more than

600 people.
Unlike a country such as France, the minister has no real power. When the Treasury gave a tax concession of £100 million to football in the last Budget for the improvement of football stadiums over the next five years, the funds were given to the Football Trust and not to the minister for

The only thing on which Moynihan and Denis Howell are reputed ever to have agreed is that the minister should be chairman of the Sports Council (as originally occurred in the 1960s) and the minister should have control over the funds which he has

to be published next summer. This will be the main task of Robert Atkins, whose innings as

minister for sport could be cut short by the demands of a general election. John Goodbody

assesses the minister and his challenge

negotiated with the Treasury. It would probably need legislation to allow the government to take direct control of the Sports Council but at least it would help eradicate some of the duplication of work which is hampering progress. Such a move would give the opportunity for British sport to obtain what it is missing: intelligent leadership.

tkins has yet to be con-vinced, although he says he has a genuinely open mind.
"I have to see whether I need to change the direction of the horse. At the moment I have just

mounted it." Another advantage of giving Atkins is likely to be more

successful with the government on obtaining legislation on drugs, a campaign he has inherited from Moynibau. He says he will be even "more supportive" than Moynihan in the move to make the possession of anabolic steroids a criminal offence. "I am pressing the Home Office as strongly as I can to get a decision.
It has got to happen."
Atkins is less progressive on the

subject of sport in schools, believing that there are not enough team games during PE time. Given his background of playing cricket and football at Highgate, his member-ship of the MCC and Lancashire County Cricket Club and his enthusiasm for rugby union, this

owever, it is contrary to the advance thinking in PE, such as that of Elizabeth Murdoch, a member of the government's working party for the national curriculum and the person selected by Dick Tracey, a though team games form a valuable part of the curriculum, there is still a bias in that favour and this will have to change in the

Atkins is less contentious when he emphasised the improvement in the standards of sportsmanship, something which will set an example for young people which are a particular area of interest for

Atkins has been an experienced junior minister, having held of-fices in transport, industry and employment. What British, or rather English, sport — because by another eccentricity he is only minister for England — needs to know, is whether he will be content just to set the style and tone for the future

The alternative is more crucial and exciting. It is that, with the Review of Sport, the minister and importance and possibly, with other responsibilities in his portfolio, acquires a position in



RUGBY UNION

Divisional selectors will rely heavily on Orrell and Bath

THE North's challenge for the ADT divisional championship next month will be based on the four-square Orrell side. Ten of the XV to play London, the champions, at the Stoop Memorial ground on December 1 come from Orrell, including the entire front five, and the same club provides Neil Ashurst, who replaces Peter Winterbottom at open-side flanker.

The South and South-West, though, will be without Jeremy Guscott, the Bath and England centre, for their opening divisional game against the Midlands at Leicester. Guscott will be on a holiday cruise next week, but will be available for the two subsequent matches, on December 8 and 15 - as will Wade Dooley for the North. Any differences which may have existed between Dooley and the divisional selectors have weekend. His decision opens esterday, the North can call

upon him at need. David Robinson, the North's coach, admitted yes- lineout. precipitate in querying ahead of David Pears, capped Northampton. said, "but at his age he has to kicking is comparable with and will jump in the middle of

Clubs give Argentina need to regroup forces little hope

By GEORGE ACE

Ulster

THE Ulster selectors meet on Sunday to determine the team that will open the defence of the procincial title, won by the northern province for the past six seasons, against Leinster at Ravenhill on Saturday week.

They will derive little en-couragement from the performance of the three clubs from Ulster competing in the first division of the All Ireland Ballymena are the only one of

the three who have beaten opposition from south of the border. But they have fallen apart over the last two Saturdays, sustaining successive defeats against Garyowen and St Mary's College Malone, with five defeats

from as many games, look certain to find out what life is like in the second division next season. Instonians, with three points from a possible eight, gained through a win over Malone and the draw with Ballymena, are by no means certain to stay up.

The second division presents

a more encouraging picture with Bangor unbeaten in five outings, including four wins, and only one point adult of Old Wesley, their opponents at Uprichard Park on Saturday. This promises to be a memo-

rable occasion between two teams that have scored 207 points in the league, with Old

CIYMS have won their last two games after a pointless opening three, while NIFC, who started with an encouraging away win over Athlone, bave since found the going tough and have only two points from a possible ten.
With three clubs being rele-

gated from the second division, that puts them in the danger zone with Connacht's representatives. Counthians and Athlone, who are still looking · Scotland, the home of sevena-side rugby, and France will compete for the first time in the Cathav Pacific Hong Kong Bank Invitation Sevens on March 23 and 24, 1991. Argentina, who last played in Hong Kong in 1988, will make a welcome return to the event along with Spain. The draw for the competition will be made on Feb-

MORTHERN DIVISION (v Londox; Orrell unless stated; I Haster (Northempton); N Hestop, S Langford, B Barley (Waterled), R Underwood (Lelcessor); M Strett, D Morris; M Hymes, N Hitchen, D Southern (Captain), S Gallagher (Waterloo), R (Namiles, D Cuean), N Asturet, A Macferiene (Sale), Replacements; D Pears (Harriequins), G Doggert (Aspatris), M Whitcombe (Sale), P Hackett (Waterloo), J Home (Harrispool Rovers), B Cleary.

Cleary.
SOUTH AND SOUTH-WEST DIVISION (v Midends; Bath unless scaech; A Webbt, A Swift, R Knibbs (Bristol), A Adebayo, P Hall (Bristol); M Hamitin (Gloucestar), R Hall, Y (Booga, G Dave, R Lee, J Hall, N Redman, J Etheridge (Northampton), A Robinson (captain), M Tempae (Gloucestar), Replacements: J Callard, M Hamstord (Gloucestar), K Dunn (Gloucestar), P Jones (Gloucestar), B Jones (Gloucestar), B Simith (Gloucestar), B Simith (Gloucestar), Both matches to be played on December 1.

firm of Kimmins and Cusani lineout needs against London. The North were resigned to

the loss of Winterbottom, and wish him well in London's colours, though they would have appreciated greater notice of his going than last blind side, since his height will with John Hall at flanker. be of value at the back of the

player for the division, as will Ian Hunter, the Northampton full back whose speed and strength will surely be used to set up the two England wings, Underwood and Heslop.

Acknowledging the depen-dency upon Orrell players Robinson said: "There are some good players at other - Kevin Simms for instance - but we would be fools not to recognise how well Orrell are playing, the con-fidence with which they are playing, or to try and break up successful partnerships." The South-West, who

believe that there is a fresh will tend to the North's and genuine commitment to divisional rugby among the leading players in their area, move Adedayo Adebayo, the Bath wing, into the centre against the Midlands, whose side will be named next Monday. Their's is something of an all-purpose threequarter been tidied up and, though the the way for Ashurst, an Eng- line and includes Tony Swift, England lock was due to have land under-21 player last sea- who chose not to play diminor surgery on his knee son. The selectors have opted visional rugby last season, but for Sean Gallagher on the has returned to the fold, along

Like the North they field ten from the same club, Bath, with terday that his selection comMartin Strett has moved a sprinkling from Gloucester
mittee might have been into the stand-off half spot and Bristol and one from Dooley's commitment to the twice in Argentina during the Etheridge, the former division. "Wade is one of the summer. Strett has blossomed Gloucester lock, who has been top six locks in the world," he this season and his goal- watched twice for his new club

Carlos Tozzi, the UAR presi-dent, insisted that three inter-

nationals in eight matches was a realistic rehearsal for the task

awaiting his country in the World Cup. But Luis Gradin, the coach, said: "It has been a

very hard tour for a new, young

team. Although we gained good experience perhaps it would have been better to have played more games in Ireland and not

to have exposed ourselves to the

strength of England and Scotland."

Whether Gradin will return as coach for the World Cup remains to be decided; there may be support for the team of Pipo

Mendez and Tito Fernández, who prepared Argentina for recent successful challenges in

the FIRA youth tournament.

At least the Argentinians know now the extent of the work

to be done, in areas of fitness and organisation, not least that of the back row which proved porous at times and not suf-

ficiently fast to profit from some good approach work. Ironically, their top scorer, Hernan Vidou,

appeared in only two games which, since he scored all of

Argentina's points in the two matches with England during the summer, seems a limited

take care of himself. The old that of Pears; he will be a key the lineout.

championship side, earned only three victories, including one

debate in Buenos Aires when the Argentine Rugby Union (UAR) meets to discuss the events of the tour of Britain and Ireland which ended last week. The core of the argument is likely to be those Argentinians now playing in Italy, whose suspension from domestic rugby robbed the Pumas of so much talent and

experience.

Before the touring side left
England yesterday, with a
record of three wins and five
defeats (including all three internationals). Hugo Porta, their
captain, expressed the hope that
the IJAR would reconsider the the UAR would reconsider the the CAR would reconsider the domestic ban imposed on such players as Dengra, Turnes, Gomez and Dominguez. "At one stage of the tour there were ten officials with us who must have seen how things are in Europe,"

"We cannot act in isolation and what we do must be positive for the game of rugby. It is not positive for players to be beaten by 50 points in the internationals." Porta hopes he will be allowed to make a report to the union, whose annual meet-

ing on December 19 will gettion the officials for next year — World Cup year — and, subsequently, the coaching staff.

Any judgement of Porta's Pumas must be made in the light of their unavailable players - 20 are playing first division club rugby in Italy, others were unfit or had business commitments former coach, Rodolfo O'Reilly.

One need look no further than absenteeism - the summer tour to Argentina, made without

reward.
TOURI NESULTS: Lost to Ireland B 12-27; best thinh Students 23-6; lost to Ireland 18-20; best Eastern Counties 23-15; lost to England 0-51; best South of Southerl Southerland 1-15; lost to Scotland 3-46; lost to Southerland 2-48; lost to Barbarians 22-34. Played 8, won 3, lost 5, points to 119, against 212.
SCORERS: H Valou 35; pis (2 tries, 2 cons, 5 pens); K Meson 25; (1 try, 2 cons, 5 pens); K Ports 22; (2 cons, 6 pens); L Arbizu 9; drops); M Allen, D Cuests Siva 8 (2 tries; G Jorge, A Macome, A Souhi 4 (1 try); pensity try. Captain of Oxford is fit

MARK Egan returns to lead Oxford University in the annual match against Major R. V. Stanley's XV at Iffley Road today. The No. 8 missed last week's defeat against Wasps because of a knee injury. He is joined in the pack by Hiyashi, the Japanese prop, and Taylor, the former Loughborough Students

However, the university will be without the American wing. Gary Hein, the Oxford try-scorer at Twickenham last December. Hein is with the US

Eagles squad preparing for the Dubai sevens next week. Dubai sevens next week. Durand, a South African, is given another run at stand-off half which, in the absence of Brian Smith, is proving a difficult position to fill.

Durand will be opposed by How Davies (Wasps), whose form is still good enough to win him a place among the London replacements for the divisional championship next month. His pairing with Saunders, the London Irish scrum half, should prove an entertaining one.

British heavyweights come to grips with sumo Judo men

enter Japanese. circle

By NICOLAS SOAMES

BRITAIN becomes the first European country to participate in the annual International Sumo Tournament when it sends three heavyweights to Tokyo next Tuesday at the invitation of the Japan Sumo

For some time now, three British heavyweight judo competitors have been shedding their white jackets and donning the traditional mawashi — yards of rough but protective canvas wrapped around their middle.

Last weekend, they were at their normal practice in the London Judo Society, a Stockwell judo club, accustoming themselves to belt gripping, heaving and slapping.

Fortunately for Jim Webb, Larry Stevenson and Bill Etherington, the event in Japan rington, the event in Japan is for amateur sumo wrestlers.

It is an important distinction. It means that Stevenson, for example, will not have to pit his paltry 105 kilograms against the 225 of Konishiki. It also means, however, that he will not have the opportunity of earning so

much money, either.

It was the professional world that Nathan Strange, aged 17, from Herne Bay, entered for six months leet weer but finelly. months last year, but finally quit, unwilling to put up with the rough, tough and violent existence at the bottom of the sumo rankings. Amateur sumo is widespread

in Japan. It is practised at primary, junior and senior high school level, and at university. Some of the top professionals have come from universities—a successful sumotori of the 1960s, Wajima, came from an academic background.

But according to Syd Hoare, chairman, secretary and coach of the British Sumo Association, the amateur sumotori, even in Japan, are of slighter size. "If you look at the teams who

fought last year, the wrestlers are quite small," Hoare said. "In fact, on the evidence of last year our team of three will be one of the biggest in terms of weight." Grappling with an opponent in a jacket is a very different matter to an opponent with a

BRIDGE

Favourites

beaten in

final trial

By ALBERT DORMER

ENGLAND'S hopes of gaining

supremacy in the nome inter-national series were boosted when Graham Kirby and John Armstrong, with Brian Calla-ghan and Rob Cliffe, won the final team trial at the Young Chelsea Club. Their score of

104.9 victory points ensures that they will be picked for at least one match, probably against Scotland, who are England's

strongest opponents.
Close up with 102.5 vps came
Alan Mould's squad (H Mel-

bourne, P Bowyer and J Helme). Their bright showing included

rouncing the strong pre-tour-nament favourites. Tony Fortester and Andrew Robson, Sally Horton and Sieve Lodge,

who finished a distant third. The Camrose Trophy international series was launched by Lord Camrose in 1936 but proved to be virtually a one-

horse race until a visiting English formation was ambushed in Scotland in 1964. Inevitability

of outcome has never since been

The long trials series just ended has been notable for the

stamina and consistency of the winners, all of whom combine

responsible jobs.
In Birmingham a mercurial

performance saw the English Bridge Union's senior pairs championship for the Saga Tro-phy go to two players who after the first session languished in

35th place among the 39 finalist

In the second session they

climbed up to twelfth and in the

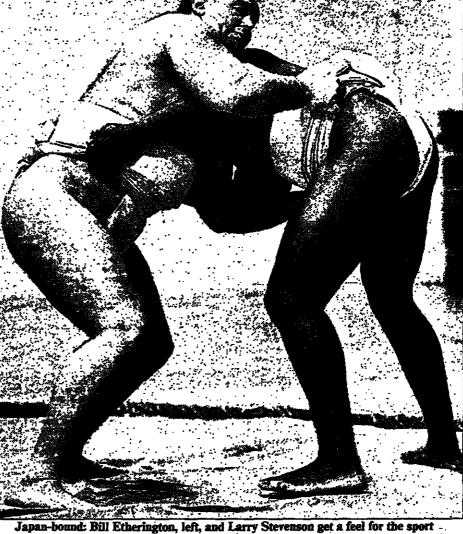
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RESULTS: 1, H Greenberg and S J Prince (Essect; 2, J Schaff and Mrs B Lankester (Essect; 3, K Ford and J Morrey (Leica); 4, J Street and Mrs G Mollant (Surrey); 5, J Lewis and M Mollen (Statis); 6, R Davies and S Claridge (Derby & Chori).

comfortable winners.

fully restored.

competitors.



"Judo is more skilful and more complicated, but sumo is much more physical," said Webb, a judo teacher aged 26 who came second to Britain's leading judo heavyweight, Elvis Gordon, in the Welsh Open last

Though fit in judo terms, he was breathing heavily after just a few bouts with Etherngton and Stevenson, even though Webb is the most experienced sumotori of the three.

The British sumo team — who will wrestle with union jacks on their mawashi — leave for Japan in time for the competition on December 1 at the Kokugikan, the main sumo arena in Tokyo, the site of many of brilliant

IF REVENGE proved beyond them, at least England's credibility was restored in Gateshead last weekend. In losing the first of three matches against the Australians by 40-48, they remained ergs that had been

they repaired egos that had been badly dented following unmiti-gated defeat in Australia last

gated defeat in Australia last summer.

A capacity crowd of 1,500 could scarcely believe that Australia were incapable of more than a four-goal lead until the fourth and final quarter last Saturday. England even managed to take the lead, a rare feat in 30 years of playing Australia. There was an air of inevitability, however, about England's

ity, however, about England's capitulation. Not that Betty

about to let a an anti-climactic end to an inspired performance

"We had a very rough time in

sweaty skin and only a belt to Chryonofigi victory. The com- dreadiocks of Larry Stevenson, pention is formally organised in a judo teacher aged 25.

pools, with a team of three — There will be teams not only
one member over 35, one from amateur sumo clubs all
between 30 and 34, and one over Japan, but also from South exempt from the age regula-tions, though the British team nearly fits the bill: Bill

Etherington, a garage services manager from Blackpool, is aged 38. Yet despite his age — and his late entry into the Japanese

late entry into the Japanese martial arts, which began only six years ago — he sports a formidable physique.

Not a few Japanese will be impressed by his upper body development, which demonstrates his ability readily to bench press 450lbs. They will also be surprised by the

Ego trip follows bad ego tour

were very low when we came back," she said. "This match showed we had picked ourselves

Liz Nicholl, the chief exec-utive of the All England Netball Association (AENA), was delighted at the outcome, which should prove effective in further

promoting the sport in England.

"It was a terrific performance, a marvellous advertisement," she

Sally Young, playing ont of position at goal defence. Cyn-thia Duncan, making her debut

this Duncan, making her debut at goalkeeper, and Joan Bryan and Sheila Edwards, the goal shooters, were England's outstanding contributors in a side deprived of arguably its best players in Jesslyn Parkes and Kendra Lowe, who are injured.

Korea, Hawaii, and many South American countries including Argentina, Paraguay and Brazil,

where there is sumo due to the indigenous Japanese population.

Hoare expects his wrestlers to draw on their judo backgrounds and experience of combat to

make up for their lack of sumo finesse. He is, himself, a seventh dan judo instructor who speaks and writes Japanese. "I think we should be able to give the Japanese a surprise, and I certainly expect my men to beat the Argentines and the Paragnayans."

even better against Australia before another sell-out crowd at

the Granby Halls, Leicester tonight. On Saturday, at London's Docklands Arena, a

sizeable contingent of expatriate Australians are expected to turn out to cheer their side in the third and last match of the

Australia are ranked second

and England fourth, in the world, and in Michelle Fielke

and Carissa Dalwood include two of the international game's

ENGLAND: J Bryan (Birmingham); Edwards (Surrey), L Sciec (Derbyshire), Fairwasther (Surrey), M Farrell (We Yorkshire), S Young (Kent), C Dunce (Birmbocham).

best performers.

HOCKEY

Wild card may work against stagnation

From Sydney Friskin

IN MELBOURNE AS THE twelfth Champions Trophy tournament here gathers momentum, thoughts have already begun to drift to the fithirseenth and fourteenth events in the series which will precede the 1992 Olympic Games in

Barcelona.
The fact that there are no ranking tournaments between now and 1992 provides no change in the field, which means that however they finish here, the same six teams, Australia, Pakistan, Great Britain, the Netherlands, Germany and the Soviet Union, will be seen in Berlin in 1991 and Karachi in

This is an unsatisfactory state of affairs which shuts out other countries from top-class international competition and strengthens the case for a wild card entry system, now being considered. Great Britain, as Olympic champions, automatically qualify for the competition for the next two years.

Yesterday was a rest day and there will be another on Friday. leaving Great Britain to com-plete their engagements against Pakistan on Saturday and the Soviet Union on Sunday. Tomorrow, the Netherlands

should provide a strong chall-enge to Australia, the holders, whose game against Germany on Sunday will bring the event

PEXTURES: Today: Netherlands v Germany: Great British v Australia. Tossor row: Pakistan v Soviet Union: Necherland

• The expansion of hockey in Australia continued yesterday with the official launching of the Victorian Institute of Sport at Olympic Park, Melbourne, the scene of the 1956 Olympic final, in which India defeated Pakistan 1-0. The minister for sport. Neil Tresize, declared the scheme open.

TABLE TENNIS

England team is given £100,000 deal THE largest financial backing

given to an England squad was announced yesterday with a £100,000 sponsorship from Butterfly, the equipment company, over four years (Richard Eaton writes). The deal is in part a reward for the success of English players in recent years, with silver and bronze medals won by men's teams in the last two European championships and a bronze in the inaugural World Team Cup in May.
Some of the credit for this is.

due to Donald Parker, the England captain and coaching director, and to his wife and assistant, Jill Parker, the former-European champion, who is starting to create success with the women's team, unexpected qualifiers for the semi-finals of the European league this season. Butterfly has made it clear that it regards the progress of England's promising volunteers.

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England's promising youngsters, as an important ingredient in the agreement, which the com-The Butterfly deal will include a set of white kit, making England the first nation to adopt this colour. The ITTF passed a rule in July permission pairs for

rule in July permitting white for the first time in its 60 years. providing a yellow ball is used.

(NEW), C Dalvoss (Shrindpland). ALISTRALIA: V Wison (Dusonsland): C Wagg (New South Wales). S Kenny (NSW), C Dalwood (NSW), 18 Fielia (South Australia), 7 Jenaice (Victoria), K Devery (NSW).

TODAY'S FIXTURES

7.90 unless stated FOOTBALL First-round replays

Chekrosford v Barnet (7.45).
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Shrewsbury v Bradford
Stoke v Telford (7.45)
Sutton Utd v Merthyr (7.45) Wycombe v Boston (7.45). Zenith Data Systems Cup*

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RUGBY LEAGUE TONES BITTER CHAMPIONSHIP: I Intelion: Bradford y St Helens, Sec Intelion: Hallist y Stamley.

NETBALL: Second International: England v Australia (Lalcaster, 7.45): SNOOKER: StormSeal UK championships (Guidhall, Preston, 2.0 and 7.0).

OTHER SPORT

SPORT ON TV

AMERICAN POOTBALL: 888 14.00-16.00: National Football League. Screenport 18.00-22.00: College match. CYCLING: Elimaport 09.00-10.00 and 15.30-16.30: World indoor championships EQUESTRIANISM: Eurosport 18.30-17:30: Show jumping from Hanover. Screensport 20:00-22:00: The National Horse Show from the United States. EUROSPORT NEWS: Surresport 18.30-19.00 and 23.00-23.20.

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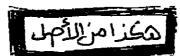
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SPORTS PERSONALITY AWARDS: ITV 22.40-23.40: The Panasonic Trophy. TEMBLE: Europport 13.30-15.30: Kramin Cup from Moscow. BBB 18.30-19.30: Virginis final from New York. TENEN BOWLING: Screensport 14.00-16.00: Women's pro-tour. TRANK WORLD SPORT: Exceptort 19.00-



Tradition wins the day as the four-ball format is retained after the players protest

British pair inspire togetherness in golf's Olympics

From MITCHELL PLATTS GOLF CORRESPONDENT ORLANDO, FLORIDA

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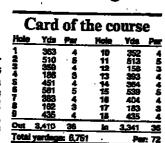
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A PROTEST by Sam Torrance and Ian Woosnam has fance and ian woosnam nas forced officials to abandon plans to speed up play in the World Cup of Golf, sponsored by Kraft General Foods, which starts here today on the Grand Cypress course The International Golf

Association, organiser of an event promoted by the Parallel Media Group, surprised contestants by announcing that the usual four-ball format was being deserted and replaced by two-ball play, necesstating team colleagues to be

Torrance and Woosnam immediately vented their disgust and Payne Stewart, the former United States PGA champion, grasped the nettle by organising a petition opposing the IGA's decision to rewrite the playing

Burch Riber, the executive director of the IGA, said: "The petition was supported by a large majority of the 64 play-ers here and, with such a groundswell of disagreement among the players, we considered it right to revert to traditional four-ball play in spite of criticism that we were caving in. In the past, and in the future, the World Cup of Golf has been, and will be, for the players, bringing them together under an umbrella of goodwill, and the IGA will always cater for the need of the



players." It seems strange that the IGA did not canvass player opinion regarding the change, although it would appear that it was placed in an uneviable position, as many contestants in the past had expressed concern that rounds were taking five-and-a-half hours or

Yet Torrance, whose part-ner in the Scotland team this week is Gordon Brand Jr, believes there is no need to be concerned by "marathon" rounds. "This is a team tournament, so if that is the case, why consider separating us?" he said. "Everyone expects a five-and-a-half-hour round." Woosnam, who guided Wales to a wonderful win in

1987, also stood against the change. "If I had not played alongside Mark Mouland, it would have defeated the object of the event," he said.

The support which Stewart's petition received provided ample evidence of team members wanting to be alongside each other on the fairways, although allowing players to dictate terms could have grave consequences.

Whether the decision to change the format was right or wrong is one thing, but having taken a decision to do so, the IGA might have been wiser to stick to its guns. The experi-ment could have taken place with a post-mortem to determine whether or not it was

On the other hand, players who signed the petition cannot criticise the speed of play, however slow it might become, over the next four days.

David Feherty, who has not before played in the World Cup, shared with Ronan Rafferty, with whom he plays for Ireland, the opinion that it might have been advanta-geous to be separated. "I think it can be counter-productive to play with your partner," he said. "It is surely best to get on with it and play your own

event. My goal is to play in the Ryder Cup, which is the high temple of pressure. I obviously enjoyed the experience of leading Ireland to victory in the Dunhill Cup but I believe there to be a picke for their

there to be a niche for that event and the World Cup."

The World Cup of Golf has for several years been treading water, although the "Olym-pics of Golf", as it was christened by John Jay Hop-kins the founder would kins, the founder, would appear to be firmly back on terra firma again with Heineken and Delta Air Lines linking with Kraft General Foods to provide a prize fund

BOXING



Putting the case for an undivided team: Torrance does not favour the two-ball game

FOOTBALL

Arsenal decide to give up their right of appeal

ARSENAL have decided not to repair severely damaged knee appeal against the Football ligaments. Association's deduction of two

lodging an appeal, which has to be submitted within 14 days of the bearing.

A statement from Highbury said: The directors have unani-mously agreed that they will not be lodging an appeal against the recent decision of the Football Association regarding the in-cident at Old Trailord and therefore the matter is at an

Bobby Gould is likely to join Queen's Park Rangers when his contract as Wimbledon manager expires next month and link again with Don Howe, coach to the west London club. They were together at Plough Lane as manager and coach and led Wimbledon to FA Cup final visitors over Livernoul in 1988. victory over Liverpool in 1988. Clive Berlin, the QPR managing director, said Gould would work with Howe in an undefined staff

Paul Lake, Manchester City's

Vinny Samways, Totten-

Association's deduction of two Eague points and fine of £50,000, imposed for their players' part in the Old Trafford brawl with Manchester United.

The Manchester club, which was also fined £50,000 and had one point deducted, is due to decide today whether it will be lodging an appeal, which has to be scheduled with the store of the manufactured within 14 days of the Scheduled and two the manufactured within 14 days of the Scheduled and the store of £750,000. For the midfield player, aged 22, But Tottenham want two that amount. Brighton have given up hope of tempting the Cameroon World Cup captain, Steve

Tataw, to the Goldstone Ground for a trial. Tataw has now returned home after training with Queen's Park Rangers.

The Wimbledon forward, John Gayle, vesterday completed his £175,000 move to his home town club Brimingham City, after talks with the man-ager, Dave Mackay.

A chance to test their defence against Luther Blissett and his Bournemouth colleagues awaits the winners of tonight's FA Cup first round replay between Hayes and Cardiff City (Louise

Taylor writes).

The Vauxhall League side entertain Cardiff at Brentford this evening knowing that suc-cess would guarantee them a December date with a Bournemouth team, relegated from the second division only last spring. England Under-21 international
defender, is unlikely to play
again this season after undergoing a second operation to

The Welshmen are hampered by
the absence of Chris Pike, their
leading scorer with eleven goals
this season.

Officials questioned

PARIS (Reuter) - Police have questioned players and officials charged with fraud and from the Marseille and Bordeaux football clubs concerning suspected irregularities with transfers from Toulon, Jean-Pierre Bernes, the Marseilles general secretary, and Alain Laroche, the club's financial director were held after files on transfers were seized. The gen-

embezziement last month after police discovered a network of companies set up to channe false payments to players.

Judge Jean-Pierre Zanoto, in charge of the Toulon inquiry, said their questioning was not connected with the Toulon case. and police said the Bordeaux investigations were strictly re-lated to that club's finances.

YACHTING

Prizes for

rulers of

the waves

PENNY WAY, Britain's top

PENNY WAY, Britain's top boardsailor, Robin Knox-Johnston, the round-the-world yachtsman, and Sir Owen Aisher, the "Grand Old Man of yachting" were the principal prize-winners at the Silk Cut nautical awards presented in London yesterday for outstanding and appropriate the part of the prize and appropriate the prize that and the prize and appropriate the part of the prize and appropriate the prize that and th

ing endeavour during the past season (Barry Pickthall writes).

Tracy Edwards's Whitbread Round the World Race yacht, Maiden, was selected yacht of

ing her victory last month in the

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following his traumatic solo voyage, retracing the route of Christopher Columbus, OTHER SEK CUT AWARDS: Individual rescue award: Tony Hoog Club. Service award: Commander R Blythe OSE, Royal Yorkshire VC. Pleasure craft design award: Westarly Typhoon. Small boat award: Herstew inflatables. Non-electrical equipment design award: Delta anchor. Electrical equipment design award: Delta anchor. Electrical equipment design award: Delta neward: Nauschi Sas Talk system. Technical innovation award: Julian Everitt and he yacht, Wave Train.

ATHLETICS

seems on the surface

By DAVID POWELL ATHLETICS CORRESPONDENT

ATHLETICS CORRESPONDENT
THE Don Valley Stadium track
in Sheffield, praised by some of
the world's leading athletes
when it was opened two months
ago, falls short of the standard
demanded by Sheffield for
Health Ltd, the company which
operates the track, it has been
discovered Some sertions of the discovered. Some sections of the track, part of a £28 million are too thin and need

McVitie's Challenge, on September 16, it drew wide-spread applause. "I like the spread applicate. I take the track . . . it is possible for a world record here," Said Aouita said. "This track has potential . . . it is quick," Linford Christie said. "The track is fast,"

Yvonne Murray said.
However, Sheffield City
Council, which provides financial aid to Sheffield for Health Ltd, said yesterday that it did not meet the specifications agreed. "The depth should have then 13 millimetres but our technical people have discov-ered that it is averaging about eight," John Taylor, the senior assistant director of the coun-cil's recreation department,

The World Student Games which have faced a multitude of which have faced a multitude of problems, are to be held in Sheffield in July. "The main concern of the people involved in this discovery was the Games, but there is nothing to threaten them," Taylor added. "We have a AAA certificate which does not expire until December 31, 1991." An International Amateur Athletic national Amateur Athletic Federation (IAAF) spokesman said yesterday that the track would be acceptable for records.

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BRITAIN'S leading heavy-weights, Gary Mason, the Brit-ish champion, and Lennox Lewis, the European title-holder, are on collision course even if it means one of them will BRITAIN'S leading heavyweights, Gary Mason, the British champion, and Lennox
Lewis, the European titleholder, are on collision course
even if it means one of them will
suffer a serious setback to his
chances of making a million in a
world title bout.

The British Boxing Board of
Control has ordered Mason to
defend his title against Lewis
before March and the British

Speaking on a telephone link
from his training camp in
looking forward to the bout as
he wanted to win the Lonsdale
Belt, "I don't want to look
backwards but I want to win the
Lonsdale Belt," he said.

"I was in my worst shape
when I stopped Tyrell Biggs
quicker than Tyson could stop
her fire March and the British
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Lewis of his European belt. Lewis will be Mason's second absence of seven months because of an operation for a detached retina. Mason's first opponent will be James Pritch-

before March and the British fights he will get stopped early. champion has welcomed the Lennox Lewis has done nothing chance to keep busy and relieve to prove he can fight a man with

Lewis of his European belt.

Lewis will be Mason's second opponent after his return to the might make "what in military ring on December 12 after an terms is known as a strategic "Lewis has got too much bottle to withdraw," Mason said. "Tell Lennox Lewis not to ard an American. Mason's manager, Mickey Duff, would have preferred another contest before taking on Lewis, but Mason believes he will be ready for the make a mistake with the Italian. Remember what happened to Derek Williams." Mason was referring to Williams' defeat in a young Olympic champion.

Speaking on a telephone link European defence on December 5 against Cesare di Benetto, of

The British champion, who had blown up to nearly 19st during his period of inactivity, said he would be under 17st for Pritchard. He blamed his earlier failures to reduce weight, even at health farms, on his state of mind. But under his new manager, Duff, and with a licence to box on after his retina operation, he felt like a new man. His diet has been carefully mon-itored in America and he was running twice a day.

Mason was already looking beyond Lewis to a world title bout with Evander Holyfield, the world champion. "I've al-ways wanted the world title and I'm hoping that after George
Foreman it could very well be
me," he said. Mason thinks that
after beating Foreman Holyfield
might slip him in before defending against Tyron Chanet, of France. Lewis has a ing against Tyson.

MOTOR RACING

McLaren move on test track plan

RON Dennis, the managing director of the TAG/McLaren Group, has announced plans for an advanced research facility and test track for his Formula One ream and other automotive interests (John Blunsden writes). Dennis is embarking on a joint venture with Tom Bissett, the owner of the Lydden circuit, to redevelop the Kent track into the most sophis ticated facility of its kind in

which is best known for its promotion of rallycross events, is only one mile in length, the company formed by Dennis and Bissett, Lydden Circuit Ltd,

TENNIS

Javer still in

favour for

Nantes team

MONIQUE Javer, aged 23, the British No. 1, who missed the recent national championships

at Telford, is still in favour. The California-based Javer has been

selected to play for Britain in the European team championships in Nantes, France, from November 29 to December 2.

Jo Durie, the reigning British champion from Bristol, Sara Gomer, of Torquay, and Clare

Wood, of Sussex, complete the team announced yesterday by

Ann Jones, the LTA women's international director.

Sarah Loosemore, aged 19, from Wales, who was originally selected as the fourth member of

the team, is unable to play. She is still suffering from a stomach muscle injury which she first incurred during the Federation

Britain, a finalist last year following impressive victories over Sweden and Italy, has kept

its place in division one since the event was established in

The Soviet Union, the defending champions, include

Natalya Zvereva and Larisa

Savchenko in their team and are

Jones said: "I'm looking forward to the competition. Our girls played extremely well to reach the quarter-finals of the Federation Cup this year and I'm confident that in her present form to Durie will be able to

form, Jo Durie will be able to cause the kind of upsets she achieved in Nantes last year."

TEAM: M Javer, J Durle, S Gerner, C

likely to win again.

Cup in July.

provide jobs and assist the local councils in their efforts to attract new industries to east Kent. Ferrari, until now the only

Formula One team to own its own test track and adjacent research establishment, has gained tremendous benefit from its facility at Fiorano, in Italy, at a time when the increasing sophistication of grand prix cars means that a leading team needs

AMERICAN FOOTBALL

NATIONAL LEAGUE DEFLI: Los Angui Raiders 18, Miemi Dolphins 10.

fulfil its real potential," Bissett said, "and if it is to meet the environmental standards that both ourselves and the local

either already owns or is to acquire 150 acres of adjacent land, giving ample scope for extension and remodelling.

The aim is to do so in a manner which will, through the establishment of a high technology company at the circuit, to change and develop if it is to considerable in the med assist the local fulfil its real prograph of the proposed in the second constant of the circuit.

community would like to see."

A private test and development facility has been part of Dennis's strategic plan for McLaren for several years, and at one time he had hoped to secure Blackbushe Airport in Surrey for such a venture.

SNOOKER

Sky seek face-saver

By STEVE ACTESON

BARRY Hearn, the promoter of the endangered £1 million Sky World Masters, and David Hill, executive producer of Sky Television's Eurosport channel, will tomorrow attempt to formulate a face-saving solution to ensure the event goes ahead in January It would be dreadfully sad if it

did not, encompassing as it does a vivacious blend of men's and mixed doubles, a junior event, 110 hours of televison and considerable prize-money.

The problem, however, is Alex Higgins. The Irishman is suspended all season from events sanctioned by the World Professional Billiards and mooker Association (WPBSA). The Masters is not so sanctioned and Sky and Hearn invited Higgins, provoking a boycott by 16 players including the world champion, Stephen Hendry.

detracting from Hearn's promo-tion, the StormSeal United Kingdom championship in Preston. Alan McManus and Preston. Alan McManus and Jon Birch, two first-season professionals, created a mighty stir on Monday night by accounting for two of the top 16 seeds. Birch, the 1989 world amateur championship runner-up, defeated Dean Reynolds, ranked sighth 9.7

REBULTS: Vesterday: Fourth round: W
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S Hendry (Scot) leads A Knowles (Engl. 5-3;
S Hondry (Scot) leads P Francisco (SA),
5-3; W Jones (Wales) leads M Hallett (Engl.
5-3; D Mountjoy (Wales) and G Wildmann
(Englised), isval at 4-4; D Powler (Engl.
leads D Roe (Engl. 5-3; N Sond (Engl. leads
R Robitioux (Cen) 5-3.

VOLLEYBALL

English and Scots go separate ways

By RODDY MACKENZIE

been forced to send separate teams to the European men's championships next summer as the new Great Britain men's squad are not affiliated to the European Confederation (CEV). While England's qualifying tournament will take place from June 5-9 against Spain, Poland,

Yugoslavia, Turkey and San Marino, Scotland face a for-midable draw for their return for the first time since 1971. The event in Povazska Bystrica, Czechoslovakia, from May 6-12 against, among others, the Soviet Union, the 11-times European champions. Meanwhile, Team Mizuno

ENGLAND and Scotland have successive title, suprisingly dropped a set, only their third this season, before winning 15-7, 15-5, 8-15, 15-7. Their closest challengers, Speedwell Rucanor, lost at home to Polonia 12-15, 7-15, 8-15 and are now four points

Woolwich Brixton Knights. who had Chris Hazell back for their 15-3, 15-12, 15-9 win over Hilton Leeds on Sunday, remain on top of the women's first division and their match with 15 looks increasingly significant Neither side has lost so far and Britannia only conceded 15 points in total during their 15-10, 15-3, 15-2 win at Scorpions

Meanwhile, Team Mizuno
Malory stretched their advantage at the top of the men's first
division of the Royal Bank
English League in spite of a
substandard performance
against Purbrook Portsmouth,
the bottom club.

The London club, now firm
favourites for their fourth

On Sunday,
RESULTS Royal Bank National League:
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Team trickery exposed THE £2,500 William Hill Sports Stanley Paul, was selected from

THE £2.500 William Hill Sports
Book of the Year award was more than 100 titles and tells of the career of Kimmage, who which graphically records the team trickery and drug-taking in cycling events like the Tour de France and was written by Paul Kimmage, a former professional (John Goodbody writes).

The book, by Kimmage, now a journalist on the Sunday Tribune in Dublin, finished

The book, by Kimmage, now McIlvanney.
a journalist on the Sunday
Tribune in Dublin, finished narrowly ahead of Ranji. A Basingstoke Boy (Collins WilGenius Rich and Strange by low), Maiden by Tracy Edwards
Times sports department and Schuster) and Saturday's Roys.

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION (MRA): Priladel-phia 78ers 108, Charlotte Homets 101; Milveukee Bucks 114, Utah Jazz 104; Los Angeles Lakers 122, Denver Nuggets 105.

TENPIN BOWLING

PATTAYA, Taplianch World Cap: Women (wher 12 games): 1.1. Grahem (US): 2227: 2.R Grainer (Neth), 2213; 3. S Cassed (Aus), 2205. Men (other 16 games): 1. A ADO (US), 3.188; 2. T Hard (Fin), 3.118; 3. T humada (Japan), 3.045.

CARDIFF: Communication Light-weller-weight championeship: Tony Bischie (Han-chester, Indied) bit Berid Chillaye (Zambie), rec 8th. Light widdleweight (5 mis) Carlo Columeso (Liennell) bit Bary Pemberton (Cardiff), rec 3rd. Beper Institutional (10 mis): Sewe Robson (Cardiff) or Net Institution (Liennell), rec 3th. Physesight (6 mis): Robble Regan (Bischwood) in Roby Beard (Deg-enhant), rec 6th. Pasherweight (6 mis): Pash Forester (London) bit Darren Weller (Cardiff), pts. Weilsmeweight (6 mis): Tot; Daws Andrews (Merthyr) bt Andy Williams (Gwert), ricc 1st.

Simon Wilde, a member of The and Times sports department and Schuster) and Schuster) and Schuster and Schuste

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LARCHIMAGE WINDOWS CUP: Second round, Seat leg: Worcester 2, Hallegowen 1, Second leg: Nameston 0, Granthem 1 (aug: 1-3); Hednesford 2, Willemhall 3 (aut; aug 5-4). Alfrecon 1. Piret christon Cup, Singt rou Riveson 1. Piret christon Cup, Singt rou Rossendale 1, Caernervon 1.

IN BRIEF Scots pair unbeaten

GRAHAM Robertson and Alex Marshall, of Scotland, emerged as the only undefeated partner-ship in the Hong Kong Bank international bowls classic pairs after three further rounds yesterday.

They overcame Canada 32-17 in their third round clash yesterday morning, added a 32-13 win in their afternoon match with a Hong Kong club side, United Services and then beat the 1988 winners, Noel Ken-nedy and Mark McMahon, of Hong Kong, 24-15. AMERICAN FOOTBALL: The Los Angeles Raiders stopped Miami's six-game win-

ning streak by beating the Dolphins 13-10. GOLF: Nick Faldo and Greg Norman head the entries for the \$870,000 Johnnie Walker Clas-

sic tournament in Melbourne on December 6 to 9. BOXING: Pat Barrett, the European light-welterweight cham-pion, suspended on Sunday when a 14-day notice to hand back a Central Area belt he won

in 1988 expired, will hand the belt back today. YACHTING: Five of the 1992 America's Cup skippers and crews will meet in Sydney Harbour in the Twelve Metre

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RATIONAL LEAGUE (MIL): Washington Capies 3, Dettor Red Wings 2 (07); New York Rangers 2, Minnesota North Stars 2 (07); Morroval Canadiens 5, Quesce Northquas 2, Sousoe Routins 3, Toronto Maple Leefs 2; Calgary Farmes 5, Toronto Maple Leefs 2; Calgary Farmes 5, Verscouver Canadics 4. CYCLING

BORDEAUD: Str-day race: Final positions: 1, G Ducton-Lassate (Fr) and E De Wide (Bell, 219pts: 2, P Ling (Fr) and A Doyle (BS), 743, L Blondi (Fr) and P-A Bracoletto (tt), at one isp. **ETON FIVES** WTA: Menoy-sistens: 1, S Gref, S1,307,070; 2, M Saise, \$1,208,074; 3, M Neurations, \$1,079,080; 4, G Sesatiri, \$852,533; 5, J Novotra, \$509,682; 6, Z Garrion, \$350,586; 7, M J Fernanciez, \$518,584; 8, H Sukons, \$518,584; 9, A Sanchez Vicario, \$479,749; 10, N Zeumers, \$433,818.

REPRESENTATIVE MATCH: Commit 6, Royal New? 21.
CLUB MATCHER; FMA Sandhonst 15, Oxford University Greyhounds 26; Loughborough Students XV 36, Cambridge University CALD 3, UNIVERS: County championality: Berkshire 15, Dorset and Witshins 0. Other matchese: Loughborough Freshers 25, Cambridge University 3; Oxford University 8, Stristol University 9; Chroft University 8, SCHOOLS MATCHES: Whitgiff 51, St Secotion 15, Westerli XV, Westerli XV, Westerli XV, School 16, Reprinted 15, St Secotion 16, Champion HS 6, Scotland: Glesgow H6 18, Februs 18; Loretto 25, Muselburgh 68 15; North Univer-18 15, Glesgow Univer-15 3, Kippin Univer-15 31, Steagow University Stea SQUASH RACKETS · VOLLEYBALL

HIGHNATE: Loadon tournament: Cuartefleste: J Date and G Williams to A Hughes and B Alesthews, 3-1; G Dumber and J Flemmig to C Bull and A Taylor, 3-0; J Reynolds and M de Sozza-Giran bit E Wass and M Tudor, 3-0; M Moore and R Tyler bit B Marsdan and R Mason, 3-2. Semi-familia Case son Williams to Donter and Fleming, 3-0; Reynolds and de Souss-Giran is Moore and Tyler, 3-2; Flexia Reynolds and de Sozza-Giran bit Date and

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SPORT

Aliysa loses after 528 days

Stoute, was sensationally dis- because this was not the first qualified yesterday from win-positive camphor test where ming the 1989 Oaks - 528 days no sources had been identified

Following a record-breaking premise."

The Newmarket-based trainer disclosed that the Aga ployed by the owner and trainer had argued.

Although rigorous investigations have failed to where the camphor could have come from, the Jockey Club fined Stoute £200, ordered him to pay costs estimated to be around £50,000, and promoted Snow Bride, the original runner-up in the Oaks, to first place.

The Jockey Club decision is unlikely to signal the end of the Aliysa affair. The Aga Khan is almost certain to challenge the verdict in the advise him he has a case.

Matthew McCloy, the Aga Khan's solicitor, last night described the verdict as unsafe and very unsatisfactory. "We are very disappointed because we were satisfied that the weight of scientific evidence was in our favour, and none of us understand how the disciplinary committee can reach the decision it did in the light

"His Highness the Aga Khan certainly feels strongly about it and he is aware of the decision. I shall be looking through a transcript of the case and if I feel there are the High Court, then I shall advise His Highness to do so.

The decision will be his." Stoute described the decision as a source of great

ALIYSA, owned by the Aga is also a great source of worry Khan and trained by Michael to trainers for the future after the running of the Epson and it was highly unsatisfac-classic. tory to disqualify on that

disciplinary committee de- Khan had sent his own seccided that the source of 3- urity people from Ireland to hydroxycamphor discovered guard Aliysa round the clock in a post-race urine test on the on the Tuesday, four days horse was camphor, a prohib- before the classic. "We took ited substance, and not borevery possible precaution and
neol, found in feedstuffs or there was no way camphor
bedding, as scientists emcould have been deliberately

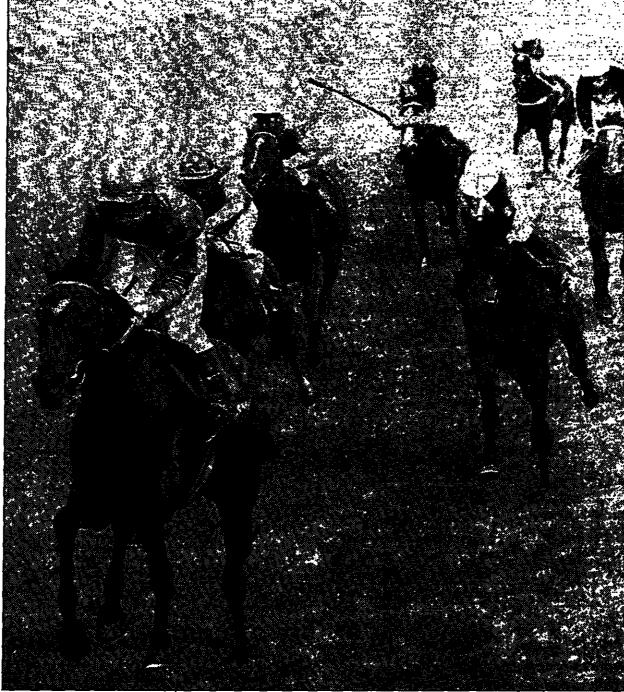
The outcome of the enquiry appears to have hinged on the carried out by the Horseracing Forensic Laboratory (HFL) and an advanced method developed by the University of Quebec.

While it was accepted that the Quebec tests could detect 3-hydroxycamphor from woodshavings, the HFL test used to analyse the Aliysa sample could not, therefore it must have come from camphor "contained in an un-

"These and other findings resulted in considerable scientific dispute between the two parties," the Jockey Club said in a statement last night. "The HFL maintained that the committee should be satisfied that the hydroxycamphor detected in Aliysa had not come from her feed or bedding.

"The representatives of the owner and trainer by contrast maintained that the possibil-ity could not satisfactorily be excluded of the finding having resulted from the presence of use in the stables at Epsom grounds to take the matter to racecourse, and that further work needed to be done to establish a proper scientific basis for the detection of camphor in racehorses."

Wyatt reappointed, page 43



Lost classic: Flashback to June of last year as Aliysa, now disqualified, strides clear of her rivals in the Oaks

Real unlikely to appoint Venables

By CLIVE WHITE

John Toshack steered the club to victory in the Spanish record number of points and goals and yet was regarded as just another failure. Like those before him in the previous 23 seasons, he had been unable to bestow upon the club the title of European champions, something which the six-time winners have long considered as not so much an ambition as

If Real could have believed that Toshack would deliver them the trophy this season they might have been prepared to live a little longer with their disastrous domestic Leo Beenhakker, the manager

to sixth place in the league at the weekend after a defeat to Valencia. But faith in chib dismissed him on Monday without even having a cine as to whom they wanted to succeed him.

It is a job which any manager in the world would relish but few, if they were honest, would be optimistic of their chances of success. Like trying to pull the Excalibur from the stone, it is something which any man would attempt but without any real hope of

Few know the pressures that the position entails better than

of Ajax, who amicably parted spoke to John many times of pressure for Real players charge on a full-time basis, company with Real 15 months before he took over. He had when they play in the Euro-said that he is, however, ago after three seasons of everything very clear. He pean Cup. Everybody's talk-"body and soul" at Real's Toshack's management had Real to three Spanish titles, do. But obviously he was not reached such a low that the two Spanish cup victories but able to do all that he wanted," in the European Cup failed to progress any further than the

In the end he came to the conclusion that the team needed to be rebuilt before Real could realise their dream of winning Europe's premier competition. "I talked about it for many hours with the president, Ramón Mendoza. started to go wrong. He agreed that it had to be "The strength of Real Machanged but that there were financial problems to doing so. It was clear to me that if we could not change the team there was no point in my

make some changes but not They didn't play like a maenough. He bought Gheorghe Hagi from Steaua Bucharest for £1.7 million and Predrag Spasic from Partizan Belgrade for £1.1 million, like Hagi only last summer. But the old

ago after three seasons of everything very clear. He pean Cup. E "failure". Beenhakker steered knew just what he wanted to ing about it. Beenhakker said.

"It is not enough in football semi-final round in each of his to have good players, you have to have a team as well. As I can see from about 2,000 kilometres distance, this was John's problem. He ran the team along the same lines as he did Real Sociedad but I don't think tactics were the main reason why things

drid was always that it was a real family, a real team. Everyobdy was defending the white shirt with his life. The last month or so they seemed to have lost a little bit of the Toshack was permitted to magic of that way of thinking. chine, more as individuals. That's always a big problem at

this level.
"As I understand it, Toshack's team had problems of a personal nature and that

"The players have a great of this great club. It's a big dream for players like Michel and Butragueno. I know that we played our normal style in the European matches but when it got closer to the final there was more and more pressure on the players. I always had the idea that they couldn't manage it.

"All that pressure from hundreds of thousands of people from all over Spain, from within the club that we had to win. We had to win. It was becoming an obsession. I think that's why we didn't make it."

Ramon Grosso, a chib stalwart, and José Antonio Camacho, the former player, have been placed in temporary charge of the team. though it is understood the club would like Alfredo Di Stefano eventually to take charge until the end of the season. Di Stefano, who has declared his refuctance to take

If the club chooses to make desire to enter into the history an immediate appointment, it outside of the country since managers in Spain are not permitted to change clubs in

> The Spanish press yesterday was full of speculation about the new appointment. Terry Venables, of Tottenham Hotspur was one of many possibilities put forward. Venables declined to throw his hat into the ring yesterday. "I have an open mind at the moment" was all that he would say. It is unlikely that Real will turn to another Briton to take charge so soon after the demise of Toshack, the Welshman.

Williams goes pro John Williams, the Welsh featherweight boxer, has turned professional with Frank Maloney. Williams, aged 20, won 75 of 87 amateur bours and represented his country at schoolboy and senior level.

Pakistan leave West Indies 10 escape route

From John Woodcock in Karachi

by eight wickets half-an-hour before tea, and so went one up in the three-match series.

Although the West Indians could find nothing good to say about the pitch, the main reason why they lost was because Pakistan were much the better balanced side. Deprived of the bounce which between them in 130.2 overs. Pakistan's two - Wasim Akram and Waqar Younis versatility. Conditions varied very little throughout the match, the pitch holding together pretty well, anyway in the parts that mattered.

But it will be a real pity if neither of the remaining Tests is played on a pitch with more zing to it than this one. The omens, however, are not good. The likeliest way of letting the West Indians back into the series would be to leave the grass on in Faisalabad and Lahore, and Imran Khan is unlikely to allow that.

This was only West Indies' tenth defeat (as against 46 victories) in 89 Test matches since they began to play their full side again after the Packer disruption had ended in 1979. Of these, three were inflicted by Australia in Australia, two by New Zealand in New Zealand, and one each by England (in Jamaica) and India (at Madras). Pakistan are the only side to have held their own with the West Indians over the 11 years, each of them having won three of the 11 matches they have played. That is a reflection on the Pakistani's natural if sometimes prodigal flair for the game.

By throwing open the gates at the National Stadium the Pakistan board prevented yesterday's victory from being achieved within a vacuum. There were perhaps 6.000 copie on the ground to see West Indies make it as hard as they could for Pakistan to win. At no time in the match did Havnes and his side try anything but their hardest; yet in no department were they superior, unless it was in

fielding. - You may find it hard to believe, but in their last eight Test matches in Pakistan going back, that is, to 1986-87 - West Indies have not once scored as many as 300. They have recorded 11 totals, including the two in this match, between 169 and 297, and one of 53 at Faisalabad where the next Test starts on

Pakistan, for their part, have never lost at Karachi. Until the early 1960s Fazal Mahmood made them virmally unbeatable on the mat, and their spinners have usually given them the edge since

ONCE West Indies had lost their three remaining second innings wickets in 21 balls for took 14 wickets against New the addition of only nine runs in the first Test match here yesterday morning, there was no escape for them. Needing under 13 apiece. West Indian 98 to win Pakistan got home criticism of the pitch would no doubt be more vociferous but for this.

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Straightaway yesterday Waqar was on target. This, at the moment, is arguably his greatest asset. He had Ambrose leg before with the fifth ball of the morning and bowled Bishop behind his legs with the next. Before Logie makes them such a formidable had time to play more than a proposition, West Indies' four couple of crisply belligerent fast bowlers took 12 wickets strokes Wasim, from round the wicket, bowled Walsh. Although no doubt there was some fishy business going on shared 15 in 84 overs, ba-sically because of their greater against New Zealand, with one half of the ball looking as though a shark had tried it for starters, there has appeared to be nothing of that this time: but Waqar and Wasim still swung the ball.

Ambrose's departure after two overs of Pakistan's second innings to join Greenidge on the invalids' bench made no difference to yesterday's re-sult. West Indies' only glimmer of hope came when play was held up as the result of Marshall, fielding on the long leg boundary, being bombarded with oranges. But it was soon all over, and although Walsh took a couple of wickets Salim Malik came in and played, as in the first innings, with a freedom which nobody else on either side had come anywhere near to

there at the end, by when, in seven Test innings this winter, he had made 625 runs at an average of 131 and batted for something like 40 hours. If he gets stuck in again in Faisalabad I shall apply to come home. He makes his father, himself one of the legendary stonewallers, look like Ian Botham on the rampage. On the other hand, the weather has yet to get boring. I have been here for nine days without seeing a cloud in the sky - even one the size of a

bottle top.

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C E L Ambrose low Younis ...
I R Bishop b Younis ...
C A Wateh b Altram ...
Extras (b 10, lb 8, nb 8) ...
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FALL OF WICKETS: 1-47, 2-85, 3-86, 4-90, 5-111, 8-127, 7-166, 8-174, 9-174. BOWLING: Akrem 20 3-6-39-3 (nb5); Younis 17-3-44-4; Cadir 8-1-22-1 (nb1); Mushtaq 15-5-38-1; Shoeib 6-1-15-1; Malik 1-0-5-0.

90WLING: Bishop 7-0-21-0; Ambross 2-0-40; Marshall 5-1-8-0; Waish 12-2-27-2; Hooper 11-2-30-0.

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If you have an itch, don't scratch it. guard of Butragueno, Gordillo started being reflected by re-and many others remained. "I sults on the pitch. There's a lot if you sneeze, let your nose run. Palace may stage IAC

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Helens goalkicker, Paul

Loughlin, although Loughlin

is a travelling reserve with

Kevin Ward, of Castleford. It

had been anticipated that

either Lydon or Loughlin

would replace the Hull wing

Paul Eastwood, as goalkicker.

However, Reilly retains Eastwood because "he had

outstanding games in both

internationals, his all-round

play is excellent, and he

BRITAIN'S most famous invitation athletics meeting could be on its way back to London - less than a month after its future seemed doomed. The International Athletes' Club meeting, the oldest invitation event on the British calendar, looked cerseconds at Old Trafford. tain to be scrapped when it lost its sponsor, TV coverage

and grand prix status. But David Bedford, the IAC chairman and the meeting promoter, revealed yesterday that he was confident of rescuing the event and bringing it back from Edinburgh to its original venue of Crystal

Palace on August 2. Bedford, the former world 10,000 metres record-holder, said he and other IAC officials hoped to negotiate with their British Board counterparts to help rescue the meeting. He insists his new-found

optimism stems from the support he received from members of the British Board Council, who, at a recent meeting, expressed their support for saving the event. Last year only a hastily arranged sponsorship deal with the computer firm, Compag, enabled the cashstarved event to go ahead in Edinburgh, and Bedford said the future was bleak when

Compag withdrew its backing

and the meeting was last

month excised from the grand

prix circuit

winning formula

DESPITE all the rumours and kicked four good goals for conjecture about changes, Hull at the weekend Malcolm Reilly, the Great Reilly said that M Reilly said that Mike Greg-Britain rugby league coach, ory had been included as a yesterday declared his faith in substitute, and would probthe 13 men who won so ably get on at some stage. ory had been included as a partly because of his powers of leadership, which he showed stirringly at Wembley and were beaten in the dying when he deputised for Hanley However, the Warrington as skipper of the successful and former Great Britain cap- tour of Papua New Guinea tain, Mike Gregory, and Jonaand New Zealand, Davies had

than Davies, of Widnes, are been included to "give extra kicking options and to give a brought into the four subvariety of possibilities in the back division". stitute places alongside David Hulme, of Widnes, and Roy Powell, of Leeds. The Great Britain coach Reilly said: "The manageadmitted that there were "one ment team have pondered a or two niggling injuries", but long time over the various he expected the Widnes wing, options open to us, but I have Martin Offiah, to have made a

decided to keep the players who performed so well in full recovery from his knee victory at Wembley and in defeat at Old Trafford. Their The vice-captain, Garry Schofield, said: This is the commitment and dedication most important game any of could not be faulted on either us have played in during our careers. We will give 100 per Reilly's decision means that cent on Saturday and if we lose we will do it with our there are no places for Joe heads held high" Lydon, of Wigan, and the St

> and Lyons, who did most damage at Old Trafford, "would not be given the same amount of room this time". amount of room this time.
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> GREAT HINTAM TEAM: 8 Hampson (Wignat); P Eastwood (Nign), D Powell (Shaffleid Eagles), C Glisson (Laeds), M Offset (Widnes); G Schomad (Laeds), M Offset (Wignat); K Harrison (Hull, L Jackson (Hull, A Piett (Wign), D Betts (Wignat), P Otton (Laeds), E Hantey (Wignat, Captain), Schetindes: D Halten (Widnes), M Gregory (Warrington), R Powell (Laeds), J Darkes (Widnes), Textelling reserves: P Loughsio (St Helens), K Ward (St Helens).

Schofield added that Elias

Reilly pins faith in Welsh to consider further action on unsavoury affair

African Rugby Board's cen-fidentiality had been broken." tenary continues to plague the Welsh Rugby Union (WRU), at the behest of its own clubs. Copies of the confidential WRU report on the unsavoury details of the affair, circulated to the clubs, at their request, have implicated Paul Thorburn, Wales's captain, as one of the prime elements in drawing together ten Welshmen to join the international touring party in South Africa аят усаг.

The WRU, more like a weary bull than an irate dragon, said in a statement yesterday it would "take account of the response of all its member clubs at district meetings before deciding whether any further action is required. It recognises the fact that a proportion of its clubs believe the issue requires further consideration, but equally accepts that a proportion of its clubs believes the matter to be one of the past and wishes rather to concentrate upon present issues to ensure the successful future of Welsh

Since over 200 copies of the report went out to the clubs, after district G (West Wales) demanded in July that they should, it would have been a surprise if the confidential gated, though the WRU expressed its "disappointment !

By DAVID HANDS, RUGBY CORRESPONDENT THE affair of the South that those bonds of con- anything about supposed in-

The report of the four-man the committee. inquiry, headed by Vernon Pugh QC, said that Thorburn, upon a second contact with South Africa, "embraced the opportunity to tour in a positive fashion ... He became the nominated players' representative and was a vital part of the SARB machinery

for ensuring the attendance of the large Welsh contingent. "Mr Thorburn knew full well what it was that persuaded the players to accept their invitations. As with the other players he did not provide us with any assistance

as to that aspect of the matter." The report did not find that players received money or remuneration for touring but does not rule out the possibility and claims to have evidence that early this year two Welsh players tried to transfer money to the United Kingdom from bank accounts held for them in Luxembourg.

Thorburn said: "We were asked to say what happened and we said what happened. The facts weren't changed and that's that. Each of the players was entitled to change his mind about the tour, which is what I did when the team linefindings had not been promul- up improved. I don't know

consistencies in what we told

Gwilym Treharne, the president of the WRU, was also described as a "key contact" in the affair.

Clubs in the various Welsh districts are meeting this week to study the report and further action rests with them. Clearly the WRU hopes that there will not be a demand for a special meeting so that the whole "sordid and devious" business, as Ken Harris, the former union treasurer, described it, is raked over again to further harm the game's image inside and outside Wales.

"We are unable to advise the union that the evidence makes us sure that none of the players received remuneration," the report says, which might legitimately raise doubts in England, four of whose players toured South Africa. However Dudley Wood, the Rugby Football Union secretary, described the affair as "history" yesterday and said nothing would be gained by interviewing for a third time players who had already given categorical assurances on the subject of remuneration.

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